Officials push plan for economic development

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

A planned expansion of the City of Grayling's industrial park may lead to future economic growth in Crawford County.

Members of the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership lobbied the Grayling City Council last week to work cooperatively with other municipalities to further economic development.

The council approved a proposal to spend \$1,250 to have city engineers determine what it would cost to expand the city industrial park by 53 acres on property which was formerly used as a city dump. The city needs the estimate for a grant officials plan to submit to the federal Economic Development Administration, said Grayling City Manager Allen Lowe.

The Crawford County Economic Economic Partnership committee hopes city officials will turn the reins of the project over to an economic development coordinator who is planned to come on board after January 1.

Grayling Township is seeking funds to help develop its 1,850 acre industrial park.

Beaver Creek Township officials have also expressed interest in commercial development on 200 acres off of Four Mile Road. The land was purchased by Jerry Dewitt and Ron Fraser, the owners of Fox Run Golf Course, in a land swap deal brokered with the

sold to downstate businessman Carroll Knight.

Officials hope that the city and townships could work cooperatively in hopes of drawing state and federal economic development funds to the community.

"This would be a great beginning to a much larger project that we all could benefit from," said Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright.

Officials have also discussed forming a water and sewer authority between the municipalities to fund infrastructure expansion for future growth.

"For some reason, that never got off the ground and it seems to me that this is the right time to revisit that issue," said Tim Zigila, president of the Grayling Chamber Regional Commerce.

The Crawford County Development Development Partnership is scheduled to meet Thursday to discuss hiring a director. The Crawford County Board, Grayling Township Board, and the Grayling City Council have each pledged \$10,000 per year for three years to fund the position.

> Grayling Mayor Joe Ferrigan supported the initiative to work together to generate new jobs for the community and said that linking roads in the city's industrial park and township's industrial park would be a good start.

"It seems like a logical place to go with it," Ferrigan said of having the Economic Development Partnership pursue The property has since been industrial park expansion.

Houghton Lake family gives \$500,000 to Mercy ER

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

A Houghton Lake family has Mercy Hospital's given Emergency Room campaign a significant shot in the arm with a \$500,000 donation.

Marie E. Brasza-Pinch and husband, Gerald H. Pinch Jr. and family have donated \$500,000 to the Mercy Hospital Grayling Emergency Department campaign - the latest gift as part of a family legacy of extraordinary support to Michigan hospitals.

The Brasza-Pinch donation is the largest single gift in the hospital's 93-year history.

"The Brasza-Pinch family has been extraordinary in their support of the ER department here at Mercy and are continuing the legacy that was started by her parents and for that we are most grateful, said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, the CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling.

The tradition of family philanthropy began with Marie's parents, Henry and Marie Brasza. At the end of World War II, Henry and Marie had each other, and very little else. They pooled Henry's Army discharge pay and Marie's war bonds and opened a small tool and die shop called the H & L Tool Company Inc. outside of Detroit. The firm supplied parts to the automotive, aircraft and related markets.

"My parents started with nothing," Marie said.

Henry and Marie worked hard and over time, their business and their family thrived.

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Photo Courtesy of Mercy Hospital Grayling

Marie E. Brasza-Pinch and husband, Gerald H. Pinch Jr. and family have donated \$500,000 to the Mercy Hospital Grayling. Above, Gerald and Marie hold a picture of Marie's parents, Henry and Marie Brasza, who started the family's legacy of giving to Michigan hospitals.

High School to establish Military Hall of Honor

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Crawford AuSable Schools officials and students marked Veteran's Day last week by unveiling plans to recognize alumni who have served the country.

A Military Hall of Honor will be established at the Grayling High School to honor students who have served the country in the military.

The Hall of Honor will recognize veterans who have attended Grayling High School as well as students who attended Frederic High School prior to merger of the two schools in 1967, said Jim Tobin, a Crawford AuSable School Board trustee who spearheaded the initiative to honor local veterans.

The Military Hall of Honor will be displayed on two halls in the high school.

One wall will include plaques to recognize veterans who served in World War I, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm as well as the current war in Iraq.

The plaques will include the names of the veterans, their years of service and the military branch in which they served.

The other wall will feature plaques recognizing non-combat veterans starting with 1910, as

well as future and current alumni

serving in the military. "In establishing this Military Hall of Honor, our intentions are to honor all of our brave and unselfish soldiers from Crawford County who just might happen to be your grandparents, fathers, mothers, aunts, uncles, brothers and sisters," said Tobin at the high school Veteran's Day ceremony last week. "Everyone of you probably have someone to be proud of and maybe someday your name will be on one of the walls as

School officials will be gathering the names of former students who served in the military until May 30, 2005, Memorial Day. A ceremony for family and friends of veterans will be held at that time.

"This is going to be a great addition to this wonderful high school that we are fortunate to have," Tobin said.

Bill Borchers, the commander of the VFW Post 3736, commended the students for establishing the

Hall of Honor. "I couldn't be happier that they are recognizing all the veterans who have served our country and especially those who have attended our local schools," Borchers



Photo by Dan Sanderson Soldiers from Camp Grayling did a 21-gun salute outside the American Legion Hall as part of Veteran's Day ceremonies held in the community last week.

Stephan loved serving the Grayling community

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

A lifelong Grayling resident and longtime police chief died last week.

Peter William Stephan died on November 10 at the age of 67.

Stephan was in law enforcement for 42 years, all with the city of Grayling, serving the last 27 years as the city's chief of police.

Stephan was only the fourth police chief to serve the city. He first became involved with the city police department as an auxiliary officer before he was hired in 1958.

"He was really dedicated to the community and to keeping it a great place to live," said Karl Schreiner, the city's current police chief who succeeded Stephan when he retired in 1999. "It was his hometown."

During his tenure with the department, Stephan saw the department grow from having two officers to having five officers to serve the community.

Schreiner said Stephan was easy to work with and could go from having a heated argument over an issue to going out for coffee afterwards.

"A lot of times we just talked

and laughed together," Schreiner said.

Larry Akers, the director for Crawford County Central Dispatch, worked as a parking enforcement officer under Stephan for five years. Akers credited Stephan for working with city administration to modernize the police department with updated equipment as the community grew and became a tourism destination.

"He always stood up for his people and went to bat for them," Akers said.

Stephan was involved with the Northern Michigan Police Chief's Association and the Michigan Association of Chief's of Police, serving as president of both organizations. The groups successfully lobbied state law makers for tougher drunk driving, seat belt and domestic violence laws.

Stephan threw his hat in to run for the 105th District House of Representatives District in 1998, but withdrew his bid for the seat before the primary election.

Crawford Sheriff Wakefield, who served as an officer under Stephan for about Continued on Page 2A

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Stephan loved serving the Grayling community

Continued from Page 1A three years before coming to the sheriff's department, said he learned administrative skills from Stephan.

"He was a store man, he was an honorable man and loved police work," Wakefield said. The did a great service for the CONTENTED BY

Stephan's interests and work went beyond the Grayling com-

He was an active member of the National Rifle Association. and were to Washington D.C. twice to lobby against gun con-

Stephan was also part of a group which successfully lobbied the U.S. Postal Service to create a commemorative stamp to honor Sgt. Alvia C. York, a World War I hero and sharpshooter from Tennessee.

Stephan was part of the Grayling Masonic Lodge and received his lifetime membership for his 40 years with the organization earlier this year.

"He believed in what he spoke," said William R. Decker. worshipful master for Grayling Masonic Lodge.

Stephan and his wife, Gloria. were married for 48 years. The couple had two daughters, two sons and five grandchildren.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

A procession of Grayling City Police Department, Crawford County Sheriff's Department, State Police and Grayling City/Township Fire Department vehicles went through the Grayling community Saturday following the funeral for former Grayling Chief of Police Peter Stephan.

Houghton Lake family gives \$500,000 to Mercy ER

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A few years ago, the family sold the business and used the proceeds to bestow a \$5 million. gift to Wayne State University School of Medicine. The Detroit Medical Center, Harper Hospital and the Karmanos Cancer Institute. The most recently completed project was the Brasza Outpatient Clinic within the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan at the Detroit Medical Center.

"Dad said, 'Do something good with it," Marie said.

extended to include Mercy

The generous giving for medical facilities has now been Hospital Grayling, where four generations of the Brasza-Pinch family have received care. "Mercy has treated us well for the past 34 years." Marie said.

Gerald and Marie moved to Prudenville in 2000, but the family has ties to northern Michigan that go back more than 50 years. Marie's parents fell in love with and purchased an 1889-vintage hotel on Houghton Lake and renamed it the Riviera Resort in 1960. The family continues to operate the resort.

Gerald and Marie's first experience at Mercy Hospital Grayling was a trip to the Emergency Department in 1971

with their 1-year-old son. "They were just great to us,"

Marie said. Marie also credits Mercy's Emergency Department with saving her husband's life when he suffered a heart attack. Mercy Hospital was also there when her mother needed geriatric care, and it was the birthplace of two of her grandchildren, both delivered by

David LaGattuta, MD. "We've had many personal experiences with the hospital, and we recognize the need for a new Emergency Department," Marie said.

Gerald and Marie sit on the steering committee for the ER campaign, where they have stressed the importance of maintaining a high-quality hospital so that the region can attract and retain top physicians as well as all of the other vital team members, such as nurses, administrators, pharmacists and techni-

They hope others will follow he family's lead.

"Downstate residents who vacation up here, and people who retire in northern Michigan, should support our local hospi-المة," she said. "Since we're overwhelming the Emergency Department, we need to bring

some of that money up here." The \$500,000 donation to the Mercy Emergency Department was the family's third major gift to Mercy Hospital Grayling. The family previously donated \$100,000 to the Emergency Department's treatment rooms in honor of their family physician, David Hunter, MD. The family

also donated \$50,000 to support the current obstetric renovations at the hospital in honor of Dr.

LaGattuta. The Emergency Department will be named the Brasza-Pinch Family Emergency Department.

The Brasza-Pinch donation represents a groundswell of local community support and enthusiasm for a new Emergency Department at Mercy Hospital Grayling. Early gifts totaling more than \$1.5 million have been pledged towards a community goal of \$2.3 million.

Construction is expected to begin in the fall of 2005 with completion in mid-2007. The new Emergency Department the first expansion to the hospital since 1978 - will more than double the space available for emergency care.

The expansion will increase the department from eight to 14 treatment beds, add three new observation beds, improve patient and family areas, and significantly improve patient priva-

cy and comfort. Marie said the decision to give \$500,000 to the campaign had the full support of their three children. Their son, Daniel Pinch, works in the Roscommon Sheriff's Department; daughter Christina Pinch-Rubino owns an equine facility in Houghton Lake and works with disabled riders; and daughter Sherrilee is a teacher in an area school system.

"They were all on board," Marie said. "Personally, I feel really happy about that. We've been very blessed."



Clare Sussex is the new Americorps member Crawford County. Her mission is to create and implement a mentoring program based on "Explore, Experience, Achieve Through 4-H Mentoring" princi-

Her program, Life's Better with a Mentor, has been developed with the youth of Crawford County in mind. Pairing children in grades three through eight with an adult mentor will enhance their educational performance, positively affect their personal development and even

influence career preparation. The project will focus on the children of the community who are currently being underserved by other services and organizations. Mentoring can be as simple as teaching a child how to play basketball or sew, but a mentoring relationship can produce a variety of positive results.



Clare Sussex

Sussex says, "Being a mentor does not mean that a person has to be perfect, being just you is good enough. If you feel like you could make a positive impact in the life of a child - I need you." She adds that the experience will be "rewarding, fun and beneficial to the community on many levels."

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer may contact Sussex at 344-3264 or at clare63@hotmail.com.

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This year's Grayling Junior Miss Scholarship Program contestants (pictured at Kirtland's Cosmetology Department): (front, L to R) Casey Mahaffy, Jamie Pinkelman; (back, L to R) Erica Fenn, Jenny VanNuck, Stacey Brown, Jesse Ferrell, Ashley Isaacsen, Jenny Ringle, Angeanette Lovely, Rachel Brunell. Not pictured: Chelsea Green.

Pageant returns with 'Latin Heat'

A Latin extravaganza and scholarship competition for high school senior girls is scheduled for Saturday, December 4, to select the 2005 representative for Shayla Moore, has choreo-Grayling.

will sponsor the program under Estefan, Jennifer Lopez and the directorship of Sandra Moore. ABWA has sponsored the Junior Miss Scholarship Program for 13 years and will bring back the tradition with the Moore said each contestant is crowning of the new 2005 Miss Grayling.

This year's contestants are; in alphabetical order: Stacey Brown, Rachel Brunell, Erica Fenn, Jesse Ferrell, Chelsea Isaacsen, Ashley Angeanette Lovely, Casey Mahaffy, Jamie Pinkelman, Jennifer Ringle and Jenny VanNuck.

"Any of the 11 outstanding seniors would be a great representative for Grayling, as we are not looking for a winner from a

group of representatives, but rather a representative among a group of winners," said Moore.

The reigning representative, graphed some high energy heat The American Business with the likes of musical group Women's Association (ABWA) Santana, and singers Gloria Ricky Martin, that will really heat up the stage. The contestants are divided into two groups, the "Mambos" and the "Cha-Chas." enthusiastic to perform and showcase their talents.

> The 2005 competition requirements include completing an interview, having their grade point average (GPA) and ACT test scores considered along with a written essay, and performing a 90-second talent segment. These items make up 90% of the scoring. Fitness performance and evening gown competition including answering a question completes the scoring, counting

The 11 contestants have been very busy with work and fun. Hard Bodyz has offered unlimited fitness training until the date of the program in the gym, as well as tanning discounts so they can look their best.

The young ladies are also getting fit at KenBuKan (martial arts training facility) as they seek self-discipline and endurance, as well as strength and finding inner

The contestants went on a historic journey and hayride at Wellington Farm Park, where Director Howard Taylor conducted a "back-in-time" tour of the 60-acre mid-American farmstead. The contestants even offered to help with the "Farm by Lantern Light" holiday event scheduled for December 16-19.

Also, the contestants recently visited Kirtland Community College for a day of pampering in the Cosmetology Department, where they received manicures, facials, hair treatments, hot

paraffin dip treatments as well as hair-dos and a good overall view of what the program offers to the students. Also, contestants enjoyed a day at the Super Eight pool & sauna.

The next couple of weeks will be fun filled with plenty of rehearsals and lots of good food. Reserved tickets for this gala event with a Latin theme will be on sale beginning November 22 at Riverland Gear on Michigan Avenue in Grayling for \$10 each. Stay tuned for more upcoming news about the new 2005 Miss Grayling competition.



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Book buddies celebrate home and harvest

by Susan Warrington

Staff Writer

Over 20 people came to Lovells Township Hall Saturday afternoon to participate in the first Book Buddies event.

Big Creek Lodge chef Jenny Jenkins provided recipes using locally grown foods and gave the audience tips on using simple things, such as turkey feathers or interesting pieces of wood for holiday decorating.

Library materials celebrating the home and harvest were available for audience members to examine.

Book Buddies, a new program started by Lovells librarian Anna Biernat, encourages volunteers help get library materials to those who are unable to get out and around easily.

One member of the book buddy team checks out material whether books, audio books, etc. for their partner and delivers the material to their partner's

All materials are checked out

on the partner's library card. The buddy also brings the materials back to the library.

Biernat also encourages those who find it difficult to get to the library to sign up, so library materials can be brought to them.

The next book buddy activity will be held in February, in celebration of Valentine's Day.

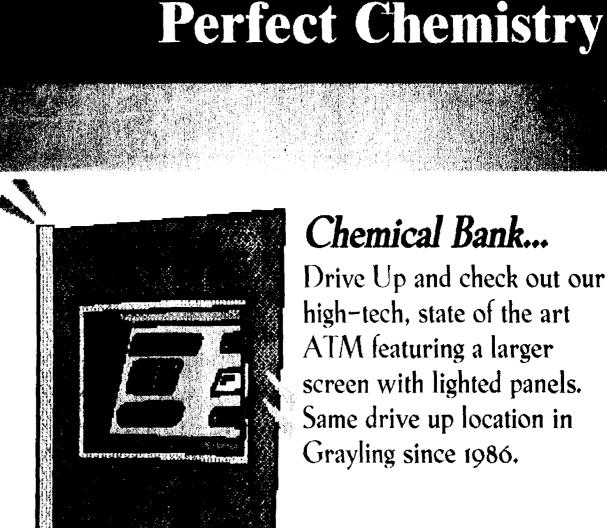
For more information on the book buddy program, to volunteer as a book buddy, or to get a Book Buddy, call Biernat at 344-



Jenny Jenkins, chef at Big Creek Lodge, presented ideas for using local foods at Thanksgiving. She also provided several holiday decorating tips at a recent Book Buddies event.

Correction

In the November 11, 2004 edition of the Avalanche Leigha Webber was omitted from the Student of the Month for October at Grayling Middle School.

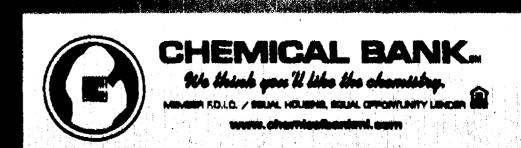


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by Richard Milliman

What happened in the presidential election? Take your pick

ALMOST EVERYONE who owns a word processor and has access to news columns has expressed an opinion on what happened in the 2004 presidential election.

Here's a handful of comments which I found interesting. This sample is not intended to be fair and balanced, nor necessarily reflect my views. They're only interesting.

Veteran Washington Post columnist David Broder, noting that President Bush won the popular vote by 3.5 million votes, cited two reasons: "And he did it the right way – the old fashioned way - by galvanizing more of his supporters than Kerry managed to do... Much as it may pain them to admit it, Democrats have to realize that the combination of Bush's appeal to conservatives and the organizational techniques developed under the direction of Karl Rove are beating them at their own game... The democratic process, in an election that fulfilled all its most important requirements, endorsed the Bush presidency."

Editorial columnist Thomas Bray in The Detroit News concluded that

Democrats "got trapped on the wrong side of the moral divide. When it falls to a shrill demagogue like Michael Moore to define your agenda, you're in trouble. When you rely on millionaire Hollywood stars and rock artists to hector the public about their moral responsibilities, you're not credible. When you fail to understand that more is at stake in a marriage than the personal happiness of the spouses, you are blind to reality. And when you mistake the liberal bias of the media for mainstream thinking, you deserve a good spanking. Which is what the voters delivered to Democrats last Tuesday (November 2)."

WHERE IS THE religious left, asks Miami Herald syndicated columnist Leonard Pitts, Jr., after quoting liberally from Jesus' teachings in the New Testament: "I look at the success conservatives on the so-called Christian right have had in claiming Him as their exclusive property, and I wonder, where in the heck is the Christian left? Where are the people who preach - and live - the biblical values of inclusion, service, humility, sacrifice, and why haven't they coa-

lesced into an alternative political force? ...You wish there were Christian people shouting from the rooftops that the faith exemplified by the politics of exclusion is not the faith the rest of us celebrate, not the faith that lifts us and makes us whole. But nobody's shouting these things."

Politics is changing, notes Norman A. Lockman, syndicated columnist from the Wilmington News Journal, who offered these thoughts: "Knee-jerk liberalism no longer wins elections. The danger for Republicans is that knee-jerk conservatism might not win future elections... About half the country still thinks the other half has made a mistake, but that feeling does not mean that either party can expect to pocket its half of the population and expect it to behave like party faithful. This election proves that politics doesn't work that way anymore."

Society is conflicted, suggests David Brooks in The New York Times: "In the first place, there is an immense diversity of opinion within regions, towns and families. Second, the values divide is a complex layering of conflicting views

about faith, leadership, individualism, American exceptionalism, suburbia, Wal-Mart, decorum, economic opportunity, natural law, manliness, bourgeois virtues and a zillion other issues... If you want to understand why Democrats keep losing elections, just listen to some coastal and university town liberals talk about how conformist and intolerant people in Red America are. It makes you wonder: Why is it that people who are completely closed-minded talk endlessly about how open-minded they are? ...What we are seeing is a diverse but

stable Republican coalition gradually eclipsing a diverse and stable Democratic coalition. Social issues are important, but they don't come close to telling the whole story."

MORE ADVICE for Democrats comes from a disappointed Molly Ivins, syndicated columnist from Texas, who admits being a liberal scold and proud of it: "So, fellow progressives, stop thinking about suicide or moving abroad. Want to feel better? Eat a sour grape, then do something immediately, now, today. Figure out what you can do to help rescue the country. Think about how you can lend a hand to the amazing myriad efforts that will promptly break out to help the country recover from what it has done to itself. Don't mourn,

organize." And finally, a suggestion from Detroit Free Press columnist Susan Ager about the products of an estimated \$600 million spent on campaign TV advertising: "Most of those ads were simplistic junk, too brief for context. In some cases, the ads were outright lies, and I'm talking about both sides. Can we, by next time, put together a National Organization to Certify Responsible Advertising for the People (NOCRAP)? It would act as an impartial jury to review each ad for accuracy before it could run on the air."

That's a great idea. Maybe columnist Ivins and her "fellow progressives". should enlist as an early action step toward recovery of the political process. # # #

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

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Volunteer gets replaced

To the editor:

I am a 71-year old senior who started to deliver Meals on Wheels about eight years ago. As a volunteer, I saw a lot of changes since then, gas prices, delivery of food and routes. I had a person on my route a few years ago that asked if I had a few minutes to talk to him. I did and found that his wife passed away and he was lonely and wanted someone to talk to. I stayed and talked with him, no problem only a little late getting to my regular job.

Once I had a woman ask me if I could look at her fan because she couldn't get it to work. I found the problem and fixed it for her. I guess as a volunteer I did my job. To me there is more to it than just dropping off meals.

I work at another job and usually start at 1 p.m. or have Monday and Tuesday off so I can deliver food. Sometimes I might be a little late, but it was no problem. In June of 2004 we had a new lady taking over the Meals on Wheels program. She, Alice Snyder, came to us setting up a meeting for the drivers one evening. I live 25 miles away round trip so I didn't go. I also worked at my other job that day. I volunteered to deliver meals not sit in on meetings at night.

Alice wrote me a letter about

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the meeting. She stated that we would pick-up the meals at 10:30 a.m. At that time I would have to bust butt just to finish delivering meals, plus be at my other job on time if I had to work that day. Then I was told we had to keep food at 140 degrees while we delivered it to the seniors. We were to put ovens in our vehicles and plug it into our cigarette lighter. I told her I would not put the oven inside my pickup cab because the cord was too short and I wouldn't use the lighter to keep the food warm.

I checked with the Chevrolet company and was informed it could cause problems if I did and that my warranty may not cover it (not recommended to do this). I refused and I guess as a volunteer I was relieved or fired from delivery of Meals on Wheels. On a Sunday evening a woman from the Senior Center called (not the one in charge of Meals on Wheels) and told me not to come in on Monday to deliver meals as Alice had a new driver. Why didn't Alice call me her-

That's enough about this; I guess the best way is not to volunteer. I will never volunteer again. God Bless you all at the Senior Center.

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Porn shops do not belong in Grayling

To the editor:

I would like to start this letter by saying that I have been coming up to Grayling since 1947 when I was in the Guard. I fell in love with Grayling and the surrounding area, have been hunting in Crawford County since 1951.

My wife and I bought our first place just off Staley Lake Road in 1965, our second place off M-72 East, and finally we built on S. Wakeley Bridge. It is pure joy for my family to come up and spend time here, canoeing and tubing on the AuSable, my grandchildren wading in the river.

We come to our summer home up here to get away from the hectic things down state, this may sound corny but up here is peaceful.

One of the first things I do when we come up is to buy the Avalanche, In the November 4 issue I read an article about some people who don't even live here wanting to open an adult book store, which means porn flicks and a host of other things.

I come up here to get away from that stuff, and now it may come here.

So you who live here, fight this with everything you got, support Mr. Chad Patterson, he is right, porn shops do not belong in Grayling.

> Tom Tague Southgate

November brings homeless awareness week

Each area within the State of Michigan falls within a certain jurisdiction when it comes to homeless issues, problems, and funding. A coalition of agencies, called a Continuum of Care, takes responsibility within its own geographical area for the planning, determination of needs, and allocation of certain state and federal funding for the issues of homelessness. The COOR Housing Coalition Continuum of Care group is responsible for that planning in the region of Crawford, Ogemaw, Oscoda Roscommon Counties. Following are some basic questions and answers regarding homelessness in our area as viewed through the COOR Housing Coalition Continuum of Care:

What programs receive funding through the COOR Housing Coalition Continuum of Care to help homeless or near homeless

people? River House Shelter in Grayling receives funds to continue daily operation as a shelter for victims of domestic and sexual violence as well as a general homeless shelter for women and children. Homeless Prevention services are also available and are administered by Oscoda and Roscommon County Housing 3169.

offices for the needs of the residents of Crawford, Ogemaw, Roscommon Oscoda and Counties.

What does the COOR Housing? Coalition see as the greatest" need? Why? What is required to solve this need?

The greatest need is to provide shelter to homeless people and to survivors of domestic and sexual violence. People need a basic safety net; domestic violence seems to be a forgotten and/or hidden issue.

In order to accomplish this, additional funding is needed to provide additional services and

Are there other issues also of great importance in Continuum?

The fact that funding received to provide homeless prevention services for the year is expended within three months causes great concern. Transitional housing is greatly needed. It is extremely important to educate citizens about landlord/tenant issues and

homeownership issues. What can ordinary citizens do to help?

Contact this group to become involved in the solution. Contact Nancy Hook, COOR Housing Coordinator at 989-348-

Recycle, recycle, recycle

To the editor:

We don't seem to be able to keep Canadian trash out, but we can help keep our own junk out of the landfill and keep some of the money from trash in our

A mistaken idea is that people in the city can't recycle without paying. The entire county can do it for free at the Township recycling center on North Down River Road. The center is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday and they will unload your things, what could be easi-

er? Cardboard boxes are the most profitable and are some of the easiest things to recycle. I shudder when I see all of that cardboard on the curb on Monday morning. Recycle plastic, styrofoam, glass, cans, foil, newspapers, magazines, junk mail, etc. Call the Township office 348-4361 for information, times and a brochure listing items that can be recycled. Come on Crawford County, let's be a leader!

> Fay Bovee Grayling

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ber must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published. All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space

December for submission of lettent to the editor is friday of noon

The Avalanche will be closed Thursday, Nov. 25, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, and reopen at 9 am Friday, Nov. 26

be turned in by noon, Monday, Nov. 22.

Early Deadlines!

Avalanche publishing early

for Thanksgiving holiday!

The Crawford County Avalanche will publish on Tuesday,

Nov. 23 so newsstand buyers and our local subscribers

The deadline for all display ads is 5 pm Thursday, Nov.

18, to be considered for the Nov. 25th issue. Community

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by noon Friday, Nov. 19. Classified ads by the word must

will receive the issue before the Thanksgiving holiday.

<u>Letters to the Editor</u>

views of The Avalanche. Your views are welcome on the

Marine Rose Section 1

COA hosts presentation on caregiver burnout

On Thursday, November 18, at 5:15 p.m. the Commission on Aging, 308 Lawndale, has invited a representative from Tendercare Gaylord to present information on how to prevent burnout of caregivers. Information will include the most common warning signs and resources available to assist caregivers. For more information or if you need transportation, contact Elouise Mize at 989-348-7123.

Christmas Walk to be held Saturday

The Uptown Grayling 2004 Christmas Walk will be held on Saturday, November 20, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. It will begin with a Santa Parade at 5 p.m. starting at the court house and proceeding down Michigan Avenue to the library where he will visit with children until 8 p.m. Many activities will take place in the uptown area including the trolley; Santa's reindeer, Prancer, at the Gazebo; uptown stores will be open with a host of entertainment and more.

T.E.F.P. surplus food to be distributed

T.E.F.P. surplus food will be held on November 23 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the American Legion. To qualify you must receive Social Security or State assistance. Bring proof of address with you. If signing up for another person you must have a signed note from that person giving you permission to do so. If picking up commodities for another person you must have their card. If you are unable to carry your bags please bring a helper. For more information call Bonnie Poll, 348-2139 or Ilha Williams, 348-8438.

Eagles Aux. to hold craft/bake sale

The Grayling Eagles Aux. will be holding their craft show and bake sale on Saturday, November 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 602 Huron St. (M-72E).

Church features guest speaker, Rev. Carlson

Resurrection Life Fellowship, Milltown Center M-72 East, Grayling will feature guest preacher, Rev. Judy Carlson, of Houghton Lake on Sunday, November 21, at 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, which includes a time of praise and worship led by Karen Alleman. Carlson is an ordained minister long involved in Christian ministry in the Roscommon area both in church and Aglow International. She is vice-president of Roscommon County Lighthouse, or local chapter, of Aglow. Nursery and Sunday school are provided. For more information call 989-821-6722 or 989-821-8923.

Amicare Hospice holds grief workshop

Mary Beth Brady, Bereavement Coordinator, Mercy Amicare Hospice will be holding a workshop entitled "Hope for the Holidays; Coping with Grief and Loss" on Saturday, November 20, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at St. Francis Episcopal Church, M72 West, Grayling. The program will describe various stages of grief, recognizing the signs of having difficulty coping with grief and resources available to assist individuals who are experiencing holiday difficulties this season. There is no charge for this workshop. Reservations requested, call 989-348-0035.

Ostomy Association to hold meeting

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, November 21, at 2 p.m. at the No. Michigan Hospital, Petoskey, in the Back Doctor's Dining Room. All ostomates and interested persons are cordially invited. Please call (989) 821-5721 for further information.

Secretary of State office closed for holiday

All Secretary of State branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed on Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26 in observance of the state holidays during Thanksgiving. Branch offices will open with regular business hours on Monday, November 29. For more information visit the Department of State web site at www.Michigan.gov/sos.

Church to participate in Christmas Walk

The Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will be participating in the annual Christmas Walk on Saturday, November 20. The church will offer a live nativity from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and a cookie walk and supper ala Carte from 4 p.m to 8 p.m.

Crawford County Republicans to meet

The next Crawford County Republican Convention will take place on Monday, November 22, at 7:30 p.m., at the Crawford County Courthouse on Michigan Ave., Grayling. It was brought to the committees attention that some members did not understand that the November 8 meeting was a County Convention. For additional information contact James Minthorn, Chairman, at 348-1002, or Sandra Moore, Vice-Chairman, 348-2154.

Friends of the Library to hold annual meeting

The annual meeting of the Friends of the Crawford County Libraries is being held on November 22, at 10:30 a.m., in the meeting room of the library. Election of officers will be held. Nominations for officers are open to the floor on November 22. Members are encouraged to attend. The public is welcome.

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Oklahoma! to Hit the Stage in Northern Michigan

ranch hand, Jessica Frankowski,

also a junior, is Laurey Williams,

a farmer's daughter who Curly is

deeply in love with. Jud, played

by Justin Diemert, a junior as

well, is the menacing character

who attempts to come between

as Aunt Eller, Laurey's no-non-

the local box social. Meanwhile,

Also starring is Crystal Weber

Curly and Laurey.

Flu vaccine still being reserved for high-risk

Local health officials are continuing to work through a flu vaccine shortage.

A nationwide shortage of flu vaccine for the current flu season was caused by the British government shutting down a major manufacturer of flu vaccine due to quality and regulatory concerns.

District Health Department #10 recently received the second half of its original influenza vaccine order.

County Health Department Offices are in the process of setting up additional clinic times to vaccinate high-risk individu-

Dr. James Wilson, medical director for District Health Department #10, reminds the public that the vaccine must still be prioritized for the most vulnerable populations, as directed in the "Order Finding Imminent Danger" issued Oct. 1, by the Michigan Department of Community Health Director Janet Olszewski.

Wilson said this means the vaccine will not be provided to healthy persons, but only to people falling into one of these flu.

high-risk categories:

•All children 6 to 23 months; •Adults aged 65 years and

•Persons aged two to 64 years with underlying chronic medical conditions;

•All women who will be pregnant during the influenza season;

•Residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities:

•Children 6 months to 18 years on chronic aspirin thera-

•Health care workers involved in direct patient care;

•Out-of-home caregivers and household contacts of children aged less than six months.

Individuals in one of the above categories who are in need of vaccinations may call the Crawford County Health Department at (989) 348-7800 for more information or clinic times.

Additional information on the current influenza vaccine shortage and preventative measures that can taken to avoid the flu can be obtained at www.michigan.gov/mdch and www.cdc/

Kirtland theatre presents play, 'The Emperor's **New Clothes'**

Performances for The Emperor's New Clothes will be Saturday, November 20, and Sunday, November 21, at 2 p.m. This classic tale by Hans Christian Anderson is over two hundred years old and has been translated into many languages. This version has been adapted by Gary Carton, Chairman of the Theatre Arts Department at

Kirtland Community College. Many years ago there lived an Emperor who was so exceedingly fond of fine new clothes that he spent vast sums of money on dress. To him clothes meant more than anything else in the world. He took no interest in his army, nor did he care to go to the theatre, or to drive about in his stage coach, unless it was to display his new clothes. He had different robes for every single hour of the day. In the great city where he lived strangers were always coming and going. Everyone knew about the Emperor's passion for clothes.

Now one fine day two swindlers, calling themselves weavers or tailors arrived. They declared that they could make the most magnificent cloth that one could image, cloth of the most beautiful colors and elaborate patterns. Not only was the material so beautiful, but the clothes made from it had the special power of being invisible to everyone who was stupid or not fit for his post. "What a splendid idea," thought the

Emperor, "What useful clothes to have. If I had such a suit of clothes I could know at once which of my people is stupid or unfit for his post."

Action takes place throughout the theatre and will introduce the audience to many new fabrics of which the characters have a special interest.

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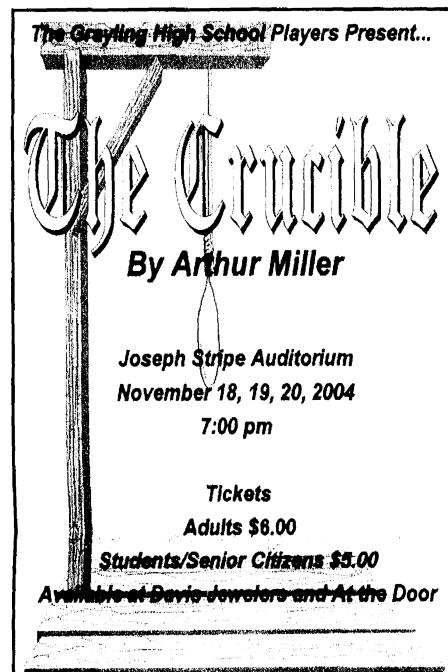
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sweeps across the western plains. the girl who simply "cannot say with additional music, acting and no." Joe Frye's character, Will The musical is driven by an dancing, Oklahoma! will be perimmortal score and filled with Parker, is in love with the indeciformed in the Roscommon High sive Annie. However, Annie's numerous unforgettable songs. father, Judge Andrew Carnes School auditorium on Friday and (Cameron Kalthoff) refuses to Saturday, November 19th and allow the two to marry unless 20th. Both performances will be Will can produce fifty dollars. at 7pm. Admission is \$7 for community members and \$6 for Without Will, Ado Annie decides to take Ali Hakim, a Persian pedseniors and students. For more dler, played by Kyle Evelith, to information please call 989-275-

Set in the Oklahoma Territory in the early 1900's, Oklahoma! is an idealized vision of a simpler time, a story of tender romance and violent passion. Ryan Menghini, a junior at Roscommon High School, is Curly, a sunny-good-natured

Students at Roscommon High

School are rehearsing for their

annual musical. After taking a

one year break, the cast, filled

with enthusiastic high schoolers,

is ready to perform Rodgers and

Oklahoma!, under the direction

of Annette R. Murray and June

Oklahoma! is a joyous cele-

Hammerstein's

Karjalainen.

after being rejected by Laurey, Curly reluctantly plans to take Gertie Cummings, the girl known only because of her obnoxious laugh and irritating ways, played by senior, Nina Talarico.

Rounding off the cast is the

hard working Chorus. A Chorus

is an important part of any musi-

sense aunt. Alongside Aunt Eller, cal and Oklahoma! Is no excepbration of frontier life that is Ado Annie (Tabetha James), tion. This year's chorus has worked hard to provide scenes

The Bible Speaks

One Nation Under God

"One America remains Nation Under God" not because of any political party. or human scheming and spinning, but because of the goodness and mercy of a sovereign God. It is ironic that our country is waging an international war against Islamic terrorism and for freedom in the country of Iraq where God first revealed His sovereign rule in the affairs of nations. As King Nebuchadnezzar ruled the world from ancient Babylon, God judged him for his idolatry, arrogance and injustice and removed him from power, " till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will." The leader of the first world empire had to be taught that he served "one nation under God."

After God's judgment upon Nebuchadnezzar, he left us the testimony of what God taught him about God's sovereign effect upon government in Daniel 4:34,35,37: "And at the of the days Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation: 35And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?"

Nebuchadnezzar no longer viewed Babylon as he had before God's judgment when he said: "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?" (Dan 4:30). Now after God judged and restored Him to power, he said in Daniel 4:36,37: "36At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and

excellent majesty was added me. 37Now unto Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase."

Politicians in America may ignore these words of Nebuchadnezzar to their own peril.

The last election in America reminds us that even though many have tried to discredit God's Name, deny His Word, and displace His morality, yet God in his infinite goodness and mercy has again shown longsuffering toward our nation. He has awakened a great body of believers He has inspired to stand up and defend life, liberty, and property as God's unalienable rights not only for all citizens of America. but also for every human being on earth. God has inspired us

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87TH DISTRICT COURT

Sentencings for August 2004 Hon. John G. Hunter

Jeff Arthur Zimmerman, age 41 of Ovid - domestic violence; sentenced to 50 days in jail with credit for 12 days served; placed on probation for 183 days; ordered to pay \$809 or spend 52 days in jail.

Christopher Lyle Freihage I, age 34 of Bay Township license suspended or revokedallowed suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$215 in

Scott Allen Miller, age 22, of Roscommon - open alcohol in a motor vehicle; ordered to pay \$510 in fines or serve 16 days in

Eva Lisa Nichols, age 43 of Frederic - possession or marijuana; sentenced to 30 days in jail and her driver's license was suspended.

Mychele Louise Parsons, age 34 of Flushing - license suspended/revoked allowed suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$390 in fines and costs.

Daniel Brian Hawkins, age 34 of Kalamazoo - non sufficient funds check under \$100; ordered to pay \$540 in fines and costs and \$208. 82 in restitution or serve 74 days in jail.

Mary Ann Churchman, age 46 of Grayling - embezzlement

agent/trustee over \$100 but less than \$1,000; ordered to pay \$855 in fines or serve 85 days in jail.

Jeffrey Arthur Zimmerman, 41 of Roscommon - domestic violence; sentenced to 30 days in jail with credit for 13 days served; ordered to pay \$755 in fines and costs or serve 75 days in jail.

Kurt Stephen Fritcher, age 45 of Grayling - interfering with crime report; ordered to pay \$1,355 in fines and costs or serve 135 days in jail.

Rocky Allen Devroy, age 36 of Eastpoint; license suspended or revoked-allowed suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$1,198 in fines and costs or serve 111 days in jail.

Steven Douglas Steffes, age 18 of Spring Lake - controlled substance possession of marijuana; sentenced to serve 10 days in jail; ordered to pay \$975 days in fines or serve 87 days in jail.; placed on probation for 184 days.

Christopher Dawayne Hartig, age 35 of Hazel Park - operated while intoxicated and drove while license suspended; ordered to pay \$1,630 in fines or serve 163 day in jail.; sentenced to 184 days of probation.

Keith Charles Span, age 52 of Rochester - operated while visi-

bly impaired; ordered to pay \$305 in fines and costs or spend

30 days in jail. Debra Ann Bissell, age 30 of Grayling - disorderly/obscene conduct; ordered to pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve 20 days

in jail. Michael Earl Lovely, age 17 of Grayling - drove while license suspended; ordered to pay \$215 in fines and costs or serve 21 days in jail.

Andrew Stephen Pepsin, age 21 of Grayling - operated while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$445 in fines and costs or serve 44 days in jail.

Ronnie Lee Right, age 51 of Shelby Township - assault and battery; ordered to pay \$355 in fines and costs or serve 35 days in jail.

Clyde Niles Hulett, age 34 of Scottville - use of cocaine and possession of marijuana; ordered to pay \$1,966 in fines and costs or serve 183 days in jail.

Paul Jeffrey Parker, age 23 of Roscommon

disorderly/vagrancy; ordered to pay \$200 in fines and costs or serve 20 days in jail.

Donald Robert Starks, age 18 of Grayling - disorderly person/drunk; ordered to pay \$200 in fines and costs and \$250 in

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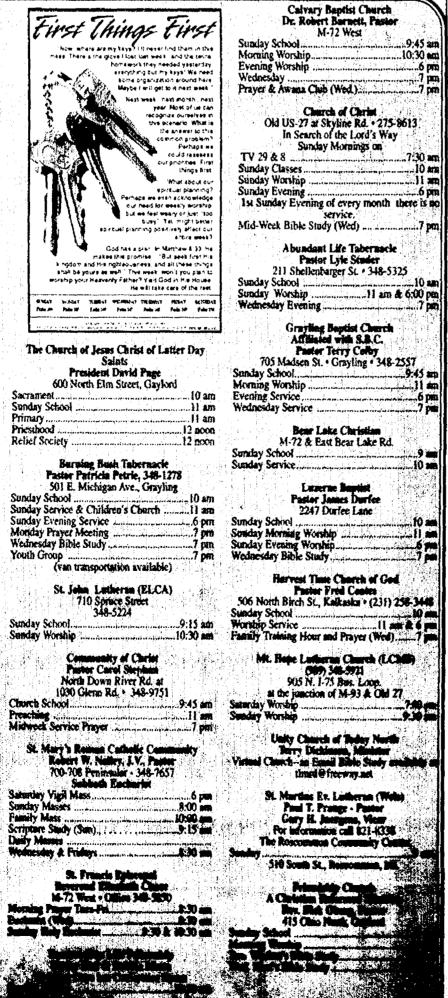
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46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

Sentencings for August 2004 Hon. Alton T. Davis

Aaron Ray Purucker, age 20 of Stanton - Plead guilty on July 9, 2004 to breaking and entering with intent; sentenced on August 2, 2004 to 365 days in jail with credit for 158 days served; ordered to pay \$5,973 restitution, \$60 for state minimum costs, \$60 crime victims rights, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

James Michael Spicer, age 30 of Clare - Plead guilty on July 9, 2004 to operating under the influence of liquor/per se; sentenced on August 5, 2004 to 45 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$45 state minimum costs, \$50 crime

costs, \$250 penal fine and \$350 attorney fee.

40 of Grayling - Plead guilty on July 9, 2004 to malicious destruction/fire/police; tenced August 5, 2004 to 300 days in jail with credit for 60 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights, \$300 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee and \$2,872 restitution.

Stephen Frederick Kennedy, age 37 of Grayling - Plead guilty July 13, 2004 to check no account; sentenced on August 5, 2004 to 180 days in jail with credit for 167 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victims

victims rights, \$300 circuit court rights, \$300 circuit court costs. \$300 attorney fee.

Rodger Lee Shealy Jr., age 29 Harry Wellington Argue, age of Freeland - Plead guilty on June 10, 2004 to assault aggravated; sentenced on July 5, 2004 to six to 12 months in prison; ordered to pay \$50 crime victims rights and \$45 state minimum

Hon. Francis L. Walsh

James Dale McCredie, age 41 of Graying - Plead guilty on June 2, 2004 to larceny from a building; sentenced on August 26, 2004 to 365 days in jail with credit for 20 days served; ordered to pay \$2,685 in restitution, \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victims rights, \$300 circuit court costs and \$500 penal fine and \$350 attorney fee.

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This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, November 19 - Lunch ravioli, tossed salad, broccoli, carrot, celery and apple salad. No dinner. 12:00 p.m. Lovells satellite meal. 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo.

Sunday, November 21 -Brunch - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., pancakes and sausage, eggs, fruit bar, juice, coffee and milk. \$2.25 seniors and under 12, \$3.50 nonseniors.

Monday, November 22 Lunch - bratwurst in a bun, brussel sprouts, potato salad, mandarin oranges. Dinner - loaded baked potatoes w/chili, broccoli w/cheese sauce, stewed tomatoes, dump cake. 12 p.m. Stag Club, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Hangman.

Tuesday, November 23 -Lunch - open face hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes w/gravy, marinated carrots, Jell-O fruit salad. Dinner - Teriyaki chicken, Louisiana style smothers squash, Harvard beets, mixed fruit. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. TEFAP at American Legion, 10:30 a.m. Out to Lunch Christmas shopping at Traverse City Mall, 1 p.m. Euchre Club.

Wednesday, November 24 -Lunch - Hungry Boy casserole, club spinach, cottage cheese w/apricots, melon balls. Dinner meatloaf, peas and carrots, mashed potatoes w/gravy, applesauce. 10:00 a.m. line dancing, 12:00 p.m. Stag Club, 5:30 p.m. Medicine Shoppe bingo.

Thursday, November 25 Thanksgiving - Senior Center Closed.

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Peter William Stephan Jul. 24, 1937 - Nov. 10, 2004

Peter William Stephan, 67, of Grayling, passed away on November 10, 2004 at Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

Pete was born in Grayling on July 24, 1937 to Herbert Ernest and Beaulah (Larson) Stephan. He married the former Gloria Millikin on April 7, 1956.

Pete was a life-time resident of Grayling. He served as the fourth Chief of Police for the City of Grayling for 27 years out of his 42 year career in law enforcement which began in 1958. He was a member of the Grayling Masonic Lodge, the Michigan Association of Chief's of Police in which he was a life member and served as past president. He was also the sexton of the Elmwood Cemetery from 1991 to 1999 when he retired.

He loved to fly fish, hunt and was a private pilot and enjoyed flying. He also enjoyed Overthe-Log Black Powder Competition shooting. He was an active member of the National Rifle Association and went to Washington D.C. twice to lobby against gun control. He was president of the committee to oppose catch and release on local rivers.

Mr. Stephan had the unique opportunity of working with former President George Bush's security team when he was in Grayling campaigning. He was very active on the committee to get a commemorative U.S. postage stamp for Sgt. Alvin C. York.

Mr. Stephan was honorably discharged from the United States Army Reserves in 1962.

He is survived by his wife; one daughter, Diane (Mark) Adkison; two sons, Herbert Ernest (Susan Marie) Stephan and Bryan Dean (Patty) Stephan; five grandchildren: Matthew David (Kimberly) Adkison, Heather Marie Adkison, Danielle Marie Stephan, Aaron William Stephan, and Brianna Nicole Stephan; two sisters, Ernestine (Don) Palmer and Beverly Lawrie-Halliday.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Debra Kay Stephan.

A Masonic memorial service was held on November 12, 2004. Funeral services were held on November 13, 2004 at Sorenson Funeral Home with Reverend Robert Schoenhals officiating. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

Jerry Manz Mar. 26, 1929 - Nov. 9, 2004

Jerry Manz, 75, of Roscomomn, passed away on November 9, 2004.

A memorial service was held on November 14, 2004 at Walsh Funeral Home.

Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

MILITARY NEWS

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Nathan Y. Kern-Ruesink, son of Laura L. Gutierrez of Roscommon, and James M. Ruesink of Adrian, recently graduated from the Navy's Nuclear Power School at Naval Nuclear Power Training Command, Goose Creek, S. C.

During the six-month course, Kern-Ruesink received fundamental training in several technical fields related to the nuclear power program.

Kern-Ruesink studied mathematics and physics for three months in preparation for handson training later in the course. In the latter half of the course, Kern-Ruesink spent hours becoming familiar with nuclearreactor theory and operations.

With his newly acquired knowledge, Kern-Ruesink is prepared to operate a reactor on a nuclear powered submarine or aircraft carrier, ensuring the availability of propulsion and power.

Kern-Ruesink is a 2000 graduate of Adrian High School of Adrian, and joined the Navy in August 2003.

Helen Hillabrand

Helen Hillabrand, passed away on November 10, 2004 in Grayling Mercy Hospital after a brief illness.

Helen was a long term resident of Toledo, Ohio. She was a retired housekeeper for St. Thomas Aquinas Church after 30 years of service. She was active in the Altar Rosary Society and a member of the GBU.

More recently, Helen had resided with her daughter, Kathleen Thornton in Roscommon, and with her granddaughter, Debra Hahn in Oregon, Ohio and had been a very special grandmother to her and her children, Taylor and Garrick.

She is survived by her children: Kathleen Thornton of Roscommon, and Ronald Hillabrand (Peggy) Perrysburg, Ohio; grandchildren: Marie (Billy) Robinson, Gary Lee (Amy) Hahn, Debra Hahn, Gregory (Dody) Hahn, Dianne (Tim) Cordell, Barbara (Gary) Lovell, Helen Hall, Bernard (Judy) Hall, and Richard Hall, Jr.;17 greatgrandchildren and 8 great-greatgrandchildren; one sister, Edith Doperalski of Ottawa Lake.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bernard G. Hillabrand, and daughter, Judith Ann Hall.

Funeral services were held on November 15, 2004 at the St. Thomas Aquinas Church. Interment at Ottawa Hills Memorial Park.

Arrangements by Hoeflinger Funeral Home, Oregon, Ohio.

Ernestine L. Palmer

Mar. 7, 1927 - Nov. 15, 2004

Ernestine L. (Tene) Palmer,
77, life long resident of
Grayling, passed away on
November 15, 2004 at Mercy
Manor, Grayling.

Ernestine was born in Grayling on March 7, 1927 to Herbert E. and Beulah (Larson) Stephan. She married Donald C. Palmer in Grayling on September 25, 1982.

She worked for Bear Archery from 1964 to 1976 and then worked at Dial-A-Ride from 1977 to her retirement in 1991.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Ann Marie Church (Tom Hendrickson) of Midland Park, New Jersey and Carleen Kaye (Brian) Dane of Coopersville; two sons, Steven James Church of Sacramento, California and Gary David (Patricia) Church of St. Louis; six grandchildren; five stepchildren: Daniel S. (Crystal) Richland, Palmer of Washington, Douglas C. (Carmen) Palmer of Austin, Texas, David C. (Kathleen) Palmer of Foot Hills Ranch. D. Michael California; (Lorraine) Palmer Kalamazoo and Amy K. (Ivan) Valley of Turner; eight stepgrandchildren; one sister, Beverly Lowrie- Halliday of Grayling and sister-in-law, Gloria Stephan of Grayling.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one grandchild, Stephanie Dane in 1976; and brother Peter W. Stephan.

Funeral services were held on November 17, 2004 at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church with Reverend Robert Schoenhals officiating. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club
The 50/50 raffle winners for
November 14 - of \$25 each:
Chuck Golnick, Sue Barber,
Jerry Larson, Steve Brink and
George McByers.

Emily M. Inman

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April 19, 1910 - Nov. 11, 2004 Emily M. Inman, 94, passed away on November 11, 2004 at Mercy Manor, Grayling.

Emily was born in Belleville on April 19, 1910 to August and Leona (McIntyre) Schultz. She was employed as a dietitian at Ridgewood Hospital in Ypsilanti retiring in 1965. She came to Luzerne area in 1968, dividing her time between Northern Michigan and Florida. She moved to Grayling in 1990. She enjoyed dancing, crocheting and knitting.

She is survived by her children: Melvin "Richard" Schultz of Canton, Delbert Sheldon and Gary Sheldon both of Grayling and Arlene Nephew of York, South Carolina; step-children: Robert, Kenneth and Sandy Inman; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren and many great-great-granchildren

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Carl Sheldon,; second husband Elwood Inman; step-son LaVern Inman; sisters, Eva Zollars, Shirley Rahn; and brothers: Clayton, Marvin, Sieford and Kenneth.

In accordance with her wishes cremation has taken place. A private graveside service for the interment of ashes was held in the Fairview Cemetery, Fairview.

Arrangements by Lashley Funeral Home, Mio.

Josephine MacQue May 10, 1930 - Nov. 14, 2004

May 10, 1930 - Nov. 14, 2004

Josephine MacQue, 74, of
Grayling, passed away on
November 14, 2004 at her
home.

Josephine was born in Detroit, on May 10, 1930, to Alberto and Amirosa (Giacaloni) Virgilio. She married Richard MacQue on November 11, 1965 in Grayling.

Josephine resided in Grayling since August of 1963. She had worked in the archery industry as a bow finisher. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, American Legion Post #106 Aux., Grayling Eagles and the Grayling Youth Booster Club. She loved to garden both vegetables and flowers and enjoyed fishing, camping and hunting.

She is survived by her husband; four daughters: Jacqueline (Thomas) Beck, Debra (Douglas) Mowery, Leslie (Kirk) Soule, and Stephanie (Dennis) Rochette; two sons, Timothy Raybould and Frederick (Teresa) Raybould II; 13 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one sister, Barbara Opipari.

Funeral services were held on November 17, 2004 at the St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father Nally officiating. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

Exercise your mind; read and learn

By Emie Harwell



I love to read. I read the papers every day. And I've always loved books. I think we all have to get away from ourselves every once in a while. There are a lot of different ways you can accomplish that. Reading is one of the best because you can just pick up a book and put it down when you want to. Most importantly, it keeps our minds active and gives us opportunities to learn.

Like physical fitness, learning is something that you have to work at. You have to keep doing it every day; every year. And if we don't learn things, we dry up and we get within ourselves too much. There are so many things out there that we can read and learn about: art, history, sports, whatever you like.

We should all remember the words of Robert Louis Stevenson:

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Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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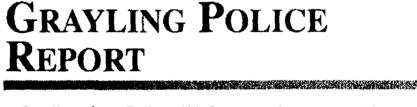
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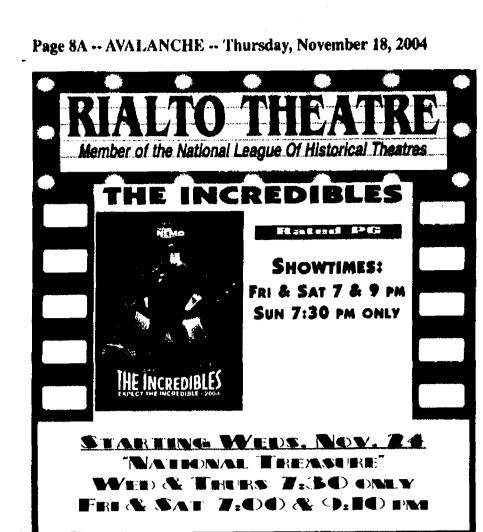
erty damage accident, one assault, three harassment/stalking complaints, two disturbing the peace complaints, five assist other departments, three alarms, one civil complaint, one city ordinance violation and three unclassified complaints.



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Neal Michal, George Gingerick and Tom Largent stand before the protective canopy they helped build over outdoor dog kennels accompanied by Animal Shelter Manager Dixie Lobsinger. Chuck Stott (not shown) and another volunteer who wished to remain anonymous also helped build the structure.

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The work of five good samaritans and a generous donor of building materials will help make winter a little more bearable for dogs this year at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

In memory and honor of his wife, Nancy, Grayling resident George Gingerick donated about \$4,000 in materials needed to construct a canopy over a bank of outdoor dog kennels. Neal Michal, also of Grayling, volunteered to supervise and work on the project before the snow begins to pile up. Both are retired military men.

Over the course of 10 days (three of which were in the rain) and a total of 118 man hours, Michal worked to complete the

project with Dennis Fyock, owner of Riverpark Campground, shelter volunteer Chuck Stott, and community service worker Tom Largent. Another man also helped, but wished to remain anonymous. DuBois Lumber was also supportive of the project.

The 60-foot length of roofing creates shade on sunny days and will help keep snow out of the kennels in the winter, making conditions more comfortable for the dogs and more manageable for shelter employees. The canopy is not permanent and will be moved when a new shelter facility is built.

"I wanted to do something nice in honor of my wife and help the animals at the shelter," Gingerick said. "I'm glad I could help."

"It was my pleasure to assist in this project," said Michal. "The employees were very cordial and helpful to us during the project and are to be commended for their outstanding spirit. It is unfortunate that more individuals won't come forth and volunteer. But this will make things better for the animals. I can't wait to see a new place built."

Largent was one of the men who worked through the rain and cold. "I'm just glad to be able to help and change things for the animals, and change my own life and do some good," he said. Michal said Largent worked very hard on the project and is trustworthy and honest. He also praised Stott for his dedication to the project.

Shelter Manager Dixie Lobsinger said, "I think gifts for the welfare of the animals are wonderful things, without them we couldn't do what we do here."

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a 501c3 non-profit organization and is currently in the midst of a very important fund-raiser — the Driving Into the Future Raffle. Tickets are \$100 each and only 2,000 will be sold. Proceeds will go to build and operate a new shelter. The winner of the raffle

will be awarded a brand new 2005 Dodge Durango SLT from Scheer Motors in Grayling.

Ticket sales have been slow, but steady and the Animal Shelter's Board of Directors hopes many people will buy tickets as Christmas gifts. "We really need to get the community fired up about building a new shelter," said President Sharon Priebe. "We all know how desperately it's needed and for a long time now."

The drawing is July 24, 2005 at 1 p.m. at the Gray Rock Café. Tickets are on sale at the shelter, the Crawford County Avalanche, and Riverland Gear or may be purchased by sending a check or money order in the appropriate amount, along with name and address to: Animal Shelter of Crawford County, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738. Tax deductible donations and memorials are also received at that

The current lease of the shelter property from the Crawford County Road Commission is due to expire at the end of the year, but Priebe said she and Managing Director Don Babcock have developed an excellent working relationship and will be seeking an extension to allow more time to raise the necessary funds to build a new facility.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are awaiting word from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources regarding their request to swap the piece of land at the back of the county fair-grounds, currently designated for a new shelter, for a more suitable piece of land with some road frontage. An answer to the request is expected sometime in December

December.

Until then, the shelter's fundraising committee continues its work to raise the needed funds for ongoing daily operations. Volunteers will offer many items for sale at the November 20 GUDA Annual Christmas Walk, including 2005 calendars, cookbooks, t-shirts, bandannas, pet

treats and gift baskets, note cards with artwork donated by Kim Diment and board games Dog Opoly, Cat Opoly, Wild Animal Opoly, Ocean Opoly, and new this year – Horse Opoly, Dino Opoly and Bird Opoly. A handmade afghan and gift basket will also be raffled off.

Appointments are still being accepted for Antique Children's Photography sittings to be held November 26-28 at Laura's Scrapbook Nook on the I-75 Business Loop. The sitting fee of \$9.95 includes an 8"x10" photograph and package deals will be available. All clothing and props to create an old-fashion sepia tone print will be available and photos will arrive before Christmas. Call Cheryll Ruley at 348-1429 or Laura Schoonover at her shop at 344-9473. Appointments will be taken during the Christmas Walk, too. Sitting fees benefit the Animal Shelter,

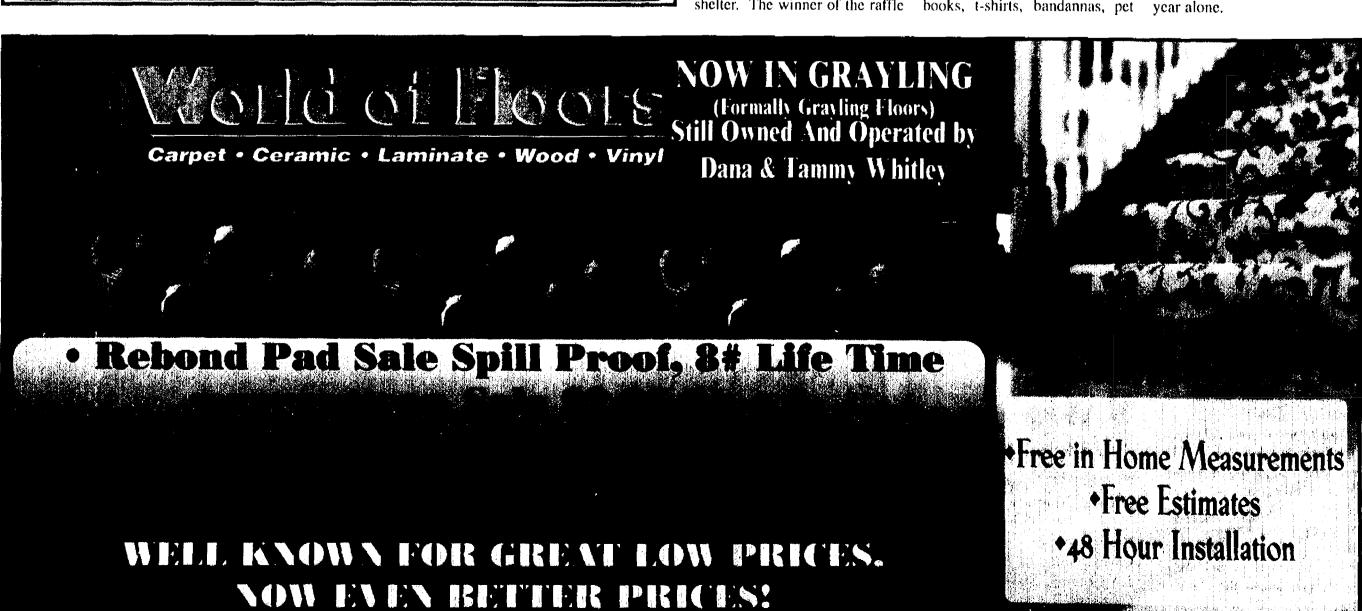
The fund-raising committee is also coordinating a day of Pet Photos with Santa at the Otsego Lake Township Hall in Waters; date and times to be announced.

Lobsinger is working on two grants. A \$20,000 grant through the DJ&T Foundation and Bob Barker would help local citizens get their pets spayed or neutered with the cooperation of local veterinarians. The other is a Rural Development grant to help fund a portion of the new shelter's construction. Lobsinger is working with Kathy Mobarak to complete the application.

Finally, on January 29 a Snowmobile Fun Run, organized by downstate mortgage broker Mary Becker, will be held to raise operating funds for the shelter. The event will begin and end at The Ole Barn; entry fee is \$25 per person. For more information, call Dixie Lobsinger at 348-9178 or 348-4117. Entry forms will be available at the Christmas Walk.

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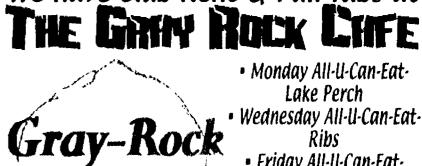


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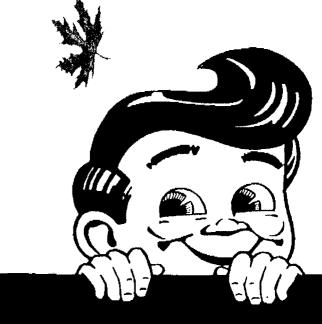
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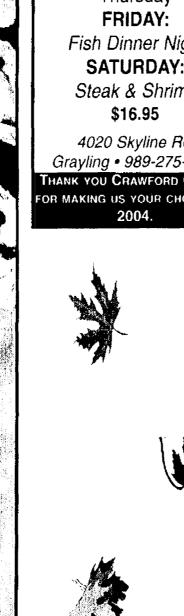
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Flooring business becomes part of a franchise

by Susan Warrington Staff Writer

Same location, same owners but a larger range of merchandise. That's what the new World of Floors is offering to Grayling area residents.

Dana and Tammy Whitley owned Grayling Floors for over 10 years and recently became part of the World of Floors fran-

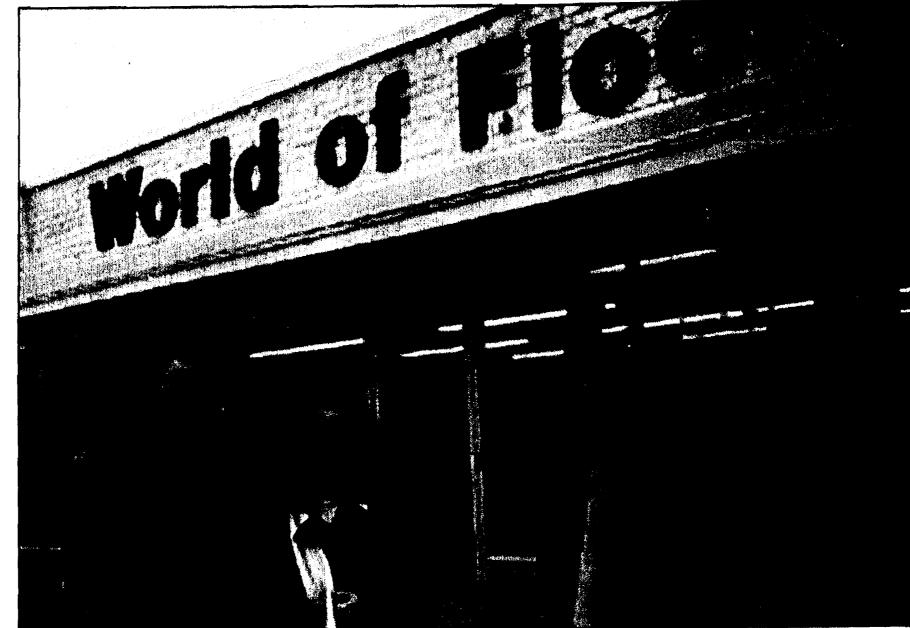
The owner of the World of Floors taught Dana the business 30 years ago and knew the Whitleys would be a great addition to the business.

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The local World of Floors is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, drop in at the store at 207 S. James, next to McLeans Ace Hardware, or

call them at 348-8934.





Owners Dana and Tammy Whitley at their new (old) business. The name has changed but the owners haven't.

New Plant Operations Director at Mercy Hospital Grayling

Mercy Hospital Grayling is Plant Operations this month.

Joining the hospital staff is Carl Seils, who comes to Mercy Hospital Grayling with 22 years of building management experience at facilities in Michigan and Ohio. Most recently he was the Property Manager for the Patrick

V. McNamara Federal Building welcoming a new Director of in Detroit where he was responsible for managing the 1.3 million square foot federal facility. Carl earned a Masters Degree in Public Administration at Western Michigan University and a Bachelor of Science Degree at the University of Wisconsin. Carl and his wife will be residing

in Prudenville.

"We're very pleased to welcome Carl and his family," said Mercy Hospital Grayling CEO Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak.

Carl is replacing Mark Cook, who will become the hospital's new Safety Officer. Mark has been with the Mercy hospital system for 33 years, the last 28 at

Mercy Hospital Grayling. "I've worn a lot of hats over the years," said Mark. "But I feel very comfortable in the Safety Department. Safety is very important to all of us and I'm looking forward to using my safety background in my new position."

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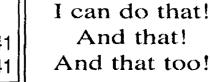
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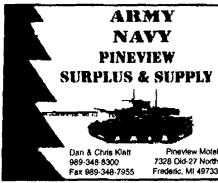
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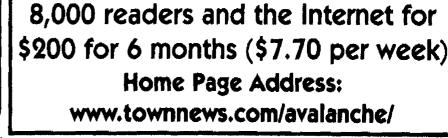
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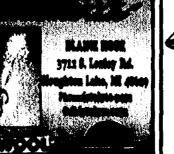
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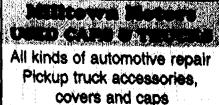
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Land on AuSable River to be protected

HeadWaters Conservancy, a non-profit group

that works to protect land from development in 11 northern Michigan counties (including Crawford), recently helped a Crawford County family complete a conservation easement on its 22-acre piece of property located on an AuSable River tributary.

Land

Bill and Pat Duncanson acquired a two-acre parcel of land in Crawford County in 1996 along an unnamed tributary of the North Branch of the AuSable River, "In 1998, an adjacent 20-acre parcel came on the market and, recognizing the threat and rate of development along the river, they quickly purchased it. It is the Duncansons' intention to leave the land as They acquired it, undeveloped and undisturbed from human impact. It is their wish for the property to forever be available to the wildlife that live and fre-

quent it," HWLC stated, "Bears, bald eagles, and other wildlife inhabit the land. The property also includes a pond that is home to a family of otters."

The conservation easement permanently protects the 22acre piece of property from subdivision and development.

"The Duncanson tract is an important step in our ongoing efforts to protect land along this extraordinary river," said Kirt Manecke, the Conservancy's Director of Marketing.

When asked about their experience working with HeadWaters Land Conservancy in placing a conservation easement on the property, the Duncansons said, "It was a seamless, effortless cooperation to create the conservation case-

The AuSable River Watershed in northern Michigan is facing increased pressure from population growth. Within the six

county region that encompasses the upper AuSable River Watershed, there was a 21.4% growth rate from 1990 to 2000. This compares to only a 6.9% growth rate for Michigan over-

A conservation easement is a voluntary legal agreement between a landowner and a land conservancy. It allows a landowner to permanently protect land and limit future development in order to protect the conservation values of the land, while allowing the landowner to retain ownership and the ability to sell. Along with possibly reducing estate taxes, landowners who place a conservation easement on their property may receive an income tax deduction. A building envelope for a future home site(s) can be built into the conservation easement agreement as long as it does not disrupt the conservation values of the property. Other activities

such as hunting and sustainable forestry are often allowed within the terms of a conservation easement if the landowner desires.

The Conservancy monitors conservation easements annually. Land protected with a conservation easement remains private and not open for public access.

Based in Gaylord, HeadWaters Land Conservancy is a private, non-profit land conservancy established in 1993 to protect land in the eleven-county region of northeast Lower Michigan. These counties include Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Crawford, Roscommon, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle County, Over 3,507 acres are protected to date, with another 1,500 acres in process.

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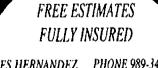
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Science fiction book has ties to Grayling

Aliens take over a cruise ship? What does that have to do with Grayling. More than you might

The author of the new book Captive Audience, which deals with aliens taking over a cruise ship, is Grayling native William Hatfield.

Hatfield, the son of Howard and Louise Hatfield, graduated from Grayling High School in 1971.

He credits three events with

permanently shaping his life. First, the local library had an excellent selection of fantasy and science fiction. He always loved reading, but science fiction opened his eyes to a whole new universe.

Second, he saw the Beatles on the Ed Sullivan Show. He convinced his parents he needed piano lessons. This soon led to his joining the first in a series of rock and roll bands. Eventually, he began doing solo gigs, playing piano and singing what is now known as classic rock and folk. His music led him to his wife, Karen.

Third, he realized he needed to find out what life was like outside small towns. He moved to Kalamazoo to attend Western

Michigan University. After graduating from Western, he headed south and ended up in Gainesville, Florida.

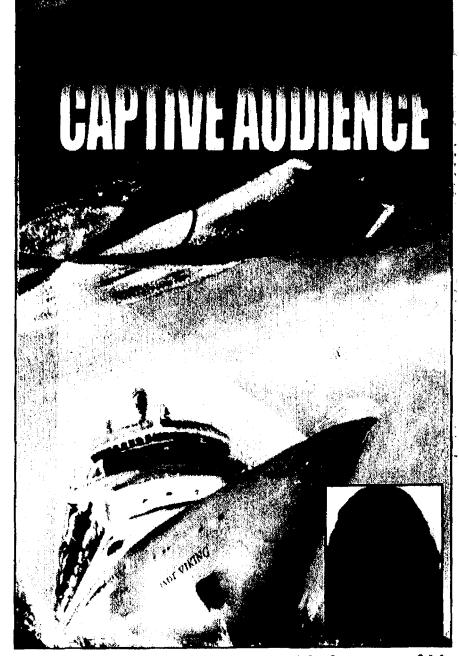
He arrived in Gainesville, a landlocked university town in north central Florida, July 1, 1979. After a week of over 100 degree heat and humidity that had to be felt to be believed, he decided to move to the coast after the holiday season.

Twenty-five years later, he and his wife Karen are still there. But, he says, at any moment they could suddenly decide to move to the coast, maybe after the holidays.

Hatfield completed the novel in 1992 but it took him over a decade to find a publisher. In the meantime, he had already completed the sequel and plotted out a third book in the series. He also has ideas for the fourth and fifth books in the series.

As long as he keeps plugging away Hatfield figures he'll be fine. Referring to his quest to find a publisher, he added, "The moment you stop trying, you're done. Nobody is going to walk up to you and hand you a con-

Captive Audience is available at Amazon.com.



Author William Hatfield shown with the cover of his new book.

OMH educator earns certification in car seat safety

Darla Edwards, Childbirth Edwards, "With this certification, Educator at Otsego Memorial Hospital recently earned her certification in child passenger safety through the National SAFE KIDS campaign.

childbirth education for 14 years and is happy to be able to provide parents and caretakers with yet another educational tool.

"OMH has offered car seat safety inspections on a regular basis for the last two years," said

I will be able to provide inspections for those who can't fit our normal inspection times into their schedules. It also never hurts to have one car seat safety techni-Edwards has been involved in cian check another's work. We've always made sure a certified technician was on hand to inspect the car seats, but my certification will aid in the double-

> "Many people overlook the manufacturers requirements,"

said Edwards, who is also coordinator of the car seat safety program at Otsego Memorial Hospital (OMH). "There are small things caretakers and parents can do that can make a big difference in ensuring their child will be riding as safely as possible. In about thirty minutes moments, our car seat safety inspectors can give parents suggestions for improving the safety of their child. It's a great investment and it's completely free."

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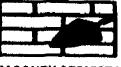
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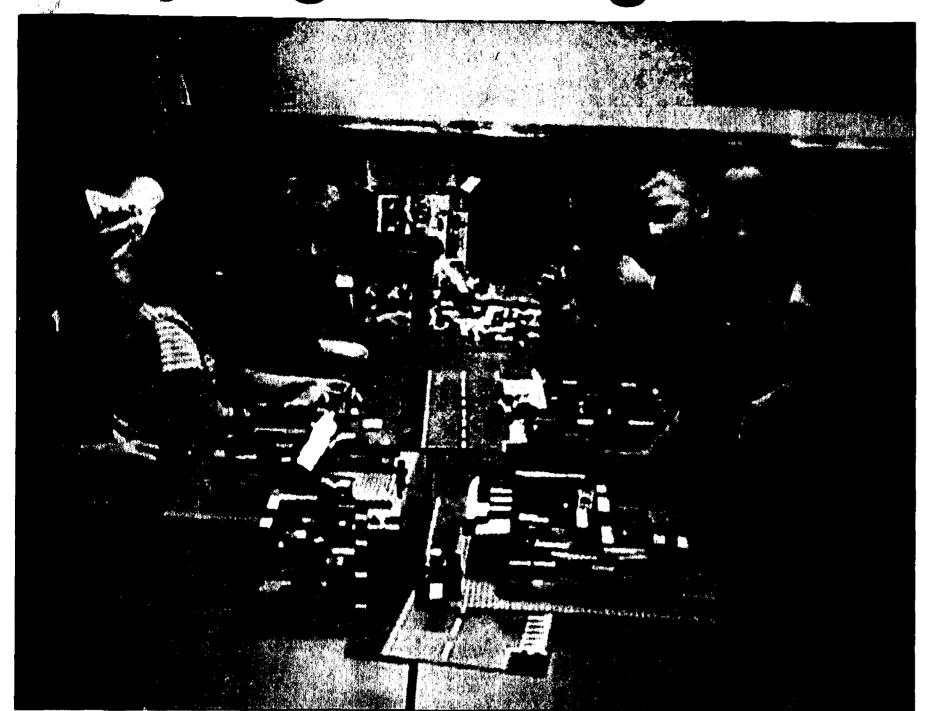
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Schools win grants to 'green' their buses

by Zachary M. Peterson Capital News Service

LANSING - A dozen school systems around the state have received grants to help "green" their bus fleets.

The Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee grants, of up to \$5,000 each will offset half the cost of switching to biodiesel fuel. Participants will have to switch their bus fleets from the 100 percent petroleum-based diesel to a 20 percent mixture of biodiesel.

The Soybean Promotion Committee is a Frankenmuthbased organization that encourages the use of soybean-based products. Biodiesel fuel is made from soybean and other cooking

The switch will be beneficial, said Rodney Stevens, transportation director at Shelby Public Schools. "Things have been going good. The fuel is better for the environment. It provides more Iubrication and a cleaner burn," he said.

Despite an additional cost of 50 cents per gallon, biodiesel makes up for the extra expense with improved miles per gallon. Shelby buses travel around 300,000 miles a year and burn 40,000 gallons of fuel, Stevens

"Biodiesel causes less engine wear, and we can go longer between oil changes," he said.

Ralph Altwies, director of maintenance vehicle Traverse City Area Schools, said his district is taking "baby steps" toward full implementation of a

biodiesel mixture. "I'm cautiously optimistic," he said. "It costs a little more per gallon, but there are a lot of benefits: It provides cleaner air and is locally produced."

"I still have concerns about the fuel freezing in the winter, though," he said. Biodiesel "gels," or thickens, in extremely cold temperatures, as does regular petroleum-based diesel.

But Gail Frahm, executive director of the Soybean Promotion Committee, said winter temperatures shouldn't deter users. "We know biodiesel blends work in Michigan's temperatures year-round because of biodiesel users who've gone before these schools, including entities such as Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore in Munising and St. Johns Public Schools," Frahm said.

Tahquamenon Area Schools in northeastern Upper Peninsula delayed implementation because no fuel distributors in the U.P. sell biodiesel.

Steven Richards, mechanic for Tahquamenon schools in Newberry, said he's still excited about switching to biodiesel, and he hopes to finalize a deal with a Lower Peninsula distributor soon. "It's just a matter of getting the product to us," he said. "We have the largest school district east of the Mississippi. Our district covers 11,000 square miles and we run 12 routes from Lake Superior all the way south nearly to Lake Michigan. Biodiesel can help us greatly with our gas mileage."

West Branch-Rose City Area Schools recently received its first delivery of biodiesel. "We're real excited about the program," said Richard Hart, the transportation supervisor. "We've heard a lot of good things and are hopeful that it will be as good for us as it has been for other districts."

Catholic Secondary Schools of Greater Grand Rapids switched to biodiesel in September.

"At this point, so far, so good," said Greg Geesey, the head mechanic. "We're running seven of our 28 buses exclusively on biodiesel and I've seen a noticeable difference with exhaust smoke and diesel odor."

"The exhaust gives you a craving for french fries," he said, referring to the smell of soybean

By next September, 12 districts statewide will drive 421 diesel buses and 16 support vehicles an estimated 7 million miles using 200,000 gallons of biodiesel alone. The Soybean Promotion Committee estimates that 125,000 bushels of soybeans will be used in this process, which benefits local farmers.

Bay City, Durand, Goodrich, Napoleon, Olivet, Ovid-Elsie and Tuscola schools also received grants.

Fowlerville Schools and St. John Schools have switched to a 20 percent biodiesel mixture in the last two years with the help of similar grants.

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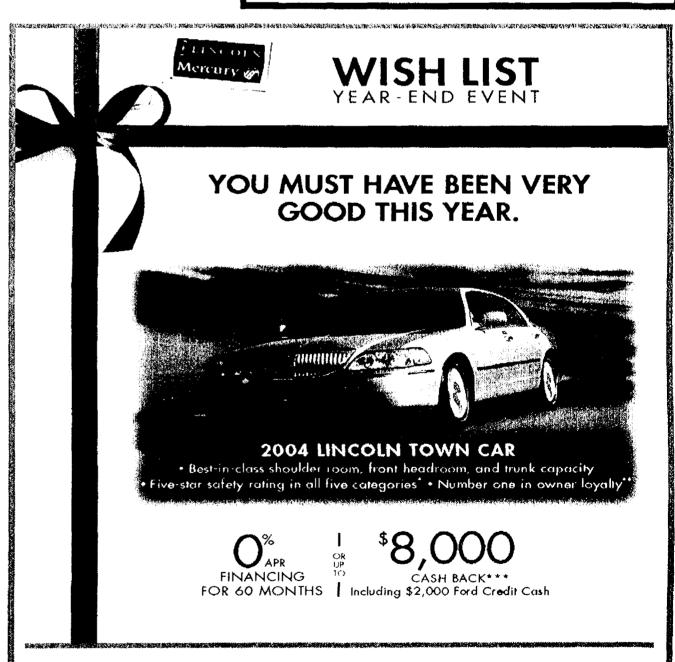
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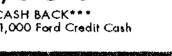
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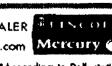
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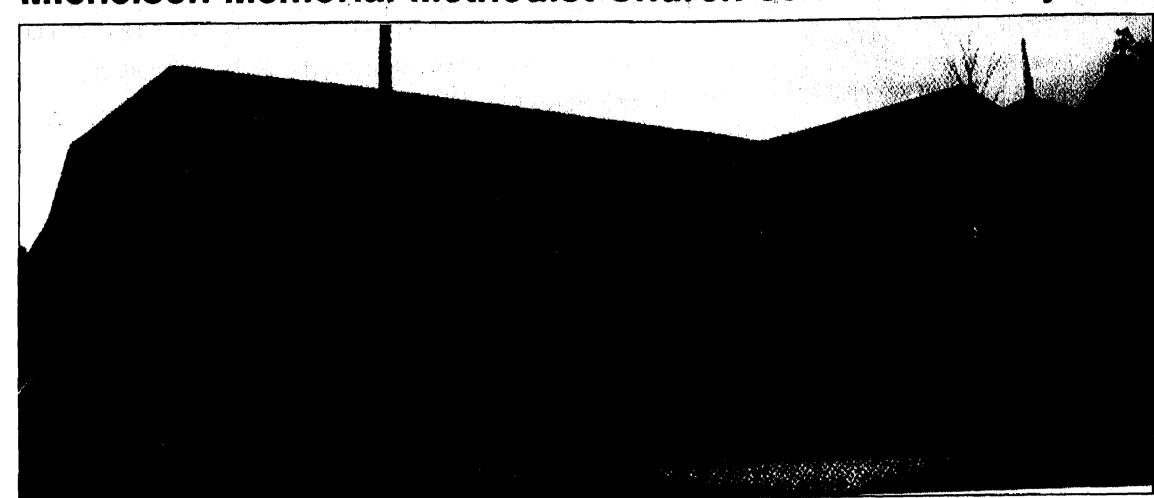
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Michelson Memorial Methodist Church celebrates 125 years



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Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church is celebrating 125 years of spreading the word of Jesus Christ and proclaiming the good news of God's grace to the community of Grayling. The church is inviting old friends and former members to join them as they gather together to commemorate this special occasion.

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lic places such as the schoolhouse or the Grayling Opera House. It wasn't until the winter and spring of 1882/1883 that the first house for Christian worship was erected in Grayling by the Methodist Episcopal people. It was built on the corner of what is now Michigan Avenue and Spruce Street, and thru fire and time the church remains in that same location.

Around 1887 John W. Taylor "John the Preacher" led the church and it's 41 members. About that time he spoke to Grayling lumberman Nels Michelson regarding the need for the repair and refurnishing of the church house. Michelson's were Danish Lutheran, but, as their denomination was not represented in the community at this time, they supported the Methodist Church.

In September 1917, erection of a new brick church began, Again, a gift of \$25,000 by Nels Michelson enabled the congregation to proceed with their building project. The new church (valued at \$35,000) was dedicated in December 1918. At that time the name was changed to the Michelson Memorial M.E. Church in memory of Margrethe Jenson Michelson who had died in 1893.

This wonderful new church and the adjoining parsonage were destroyed by fire in 1923. The cause was thought to be a defective furnace blower. The church buildings were a total loss, but from past experience the trustees knew what to do. A telegram was dispatched to Nelson Michelson who was living in retirement in Detroit, telling of the \$45,000 loss on which there was but \$25,000 insurance coverage. Michelson wired back instructions to begin rebuilding at once, and work was begun the following day.

The Danish Lutheran Church donated the use of their

Pictured above is the first Michelson Methodist Church built around 1887 at the corner of Spruce Street and Michigan Avenue, downtown Grayling.

Danebod Hall (located just a block away) for the use of the parishioners until the new building was completed. On May 31, 1925 the new church was dedicated in memory of Nels and Margrethe Michelson.

In 1959, the new Educational Wing was consecrated. In 1977 the sanctuary was again gutted by fire, but was quickly reconstructed along with other improvements.

In 1990 a carillon was installed in the bell tower. It has become an established part of life for those fortunate enough to live where it can be heard. It not only let's the citizens know the time, but several times a day hymns are played.

The addition of the Narthex, a new entryway, a remodeled kitchen and a refurbished sanctuary were completed in 1999.

An elevator provides barrier free access to both the sanctuary and the lower level.

To celebrate 125 years, an anniversary dinner of Ham with all the fixings is planned for Sunday, December 5, 2004, at 1 p.m. following Sunday services, in the Fellowship Hall at the church. The cost will be covered with freewill offering. Reservations are being accepted through the church, call Michelle at (989) 348-2974.

Bishop, Jonathan Kenton will be leading the worship at both services on December 5. The program will consist of group singing with accompaniment by Michelson's local musicians and a skit depicting our history by the Acting Up Theater players, under the direction of Chad Patterson.

The Michelson Singers will also perform. A time of Dedication and Remembering will honor those who have earned a special place in church

Finally, a mini Time Capsule will be filled with memorabilia in which members are encouraged to bring small items they think would be of interest to those who may open the Time Capsule sometime in the future.

As part of this yearlong celebration the church has been selling Commemorative Bells of spruce green crystal etched with a picture of the church for \$20. They can be purchased at the church office, at the dinner, or you can order one by calling the

If you are unable to attend and would like to share your memories regarding the time you were a member of the church contact Michelle at Michelson Memorial Methodist Church, 400 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738. (989)-348-2974.

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Shannon Hadstate and Keaton Hershberger Roscommon, announce the birth of their daughter, Delilia Jade, born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on November 1, 2004 at 1:33 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., and measuring 20 inches long.

Jessica Marie Straight and Michael John Hartig of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Chevy Rae-Michael, born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on November 1, 2004, at 10:53 p.m., weighing 8 lbs. and measuring 20 1/2 inches

Wende and Thomas Holcomb of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Holly Elizabeth, born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on October 28, 2004, weighing 8 lbs. 15 ozs., and measuring 22 inches long.

Pamela Null of Grayling. announces the birth of her daughter, Elyssa, born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on October 30, 2004, at 1:56 a.m., weighing 8 lbs. 5 ozs., and measuring 20 inches long.

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Joe Verduce, an employee for Countvline **Nursery of** Hartford, places shingles on the gazebo located at the intersection of the I-75 **Business Loop** and M-72 West. Michigan Department of **Transportation** officials expected to finish the beautification project on the I-75 Business Loop last week. The gazebo features a map of bike paths in the Grayling area as well as local points of interest.

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Jobs are down but TC retailers seem unworried

by Amanda Wrenn Capital News Service

Michigan has lost 57,000 retail jobs—17,000 of them between Oct. 1, 2003 and Sept. 30 of this year—since 2000. But Traverse City retailers say they're not worried despite the number of

jobs being at a 10-year low. Colleen Paveglio, marketing director for the Downtown Traverse City Association, said the downtown area will probably be hurt by the loss of retail jobs, but not as much as shopping

malls. "Most of the stores downtown are owned by small business owners who bring in high school and college students," she said. "It's quite seasonal—we get busier between the start of hunting season and Christmas, when all the wives come to town—so it doesn't hurt as much."

Bryan Crough, executive director of the city's Downtown Development Authority, said he wasn't aware of the loss of retail jobs because Traverse City has more space dedicated to retail. Inc. business than ever before.

"There are retail opportunities everywhere you look," he said.

In the past year, downtown and the suburbs added more stores than they lost, Crough said. "Downtown, there are more retailers interested in space than there is space. We have a near zero-percent vacancy rate, and because it's such a competitive market, vacant spaces are usually leased very quickly"

Although stores like Wal-Mart and Home Depot are blamed for job loss and the closing of small, mom-and-pop type stores, they don't threaten local business owners, he said. "Any time there's a massive amount of new retail, it raises concerns but we position ourselves as a mid-tohigh-point retailer with unique, rare products and experiences."

Stores are expected to add nearly 650,000 retail jobs nationwide during the holidays, according to a survey by Chicago-based Challenger, Gray & Christmas

For example, Minnesota-based chain Target plans to add 50,000 to 80,000 jobs nationwide, which is about 50 to 80 per store, said Paula Norton-Greer, media liaison for Target. Most positions are part-time, but seasonal employces can work more than 40 hours a week, depending on demand,

However, seasonal hiring is only a temporary phenomenon, and the retail industry is expected to bounce back fast and extend beyond the Christmas season, said Tom Scott, communications director for the Michigan Retailers Association.

"Retail in Michigan has been increasing for years and the outlook is better for retail than manufacturing," he said. "It's tough to pinpoint the reason for the job loss because the dynamics of the retail industry are constantly changing."

According to Scott, most national chain stores began on the coasts but skipped over Michigan until recently.

Once in the state, they build in the more populated areas like the southeastern corner, Grand Rapids, Flint, Saginaw and Lansing, which is where job loss has increased the most, said Bruce Weaver, acting director of the state Bureau of Labor Market Information in Detroit.

"Most of the job cuts have been fairly distributed among the metropolitan areas," he said. "Each one has lost about 2 percent of jobs."

He also said retail firms with in-state headquarters have downsized or moved out of state, and the loss of 16,000 manufacturing jobs is another factor that hurts

"When job growth in manufacturing is down, it hurts disposable income so people have less money to spend in the retail market," Weaver said.

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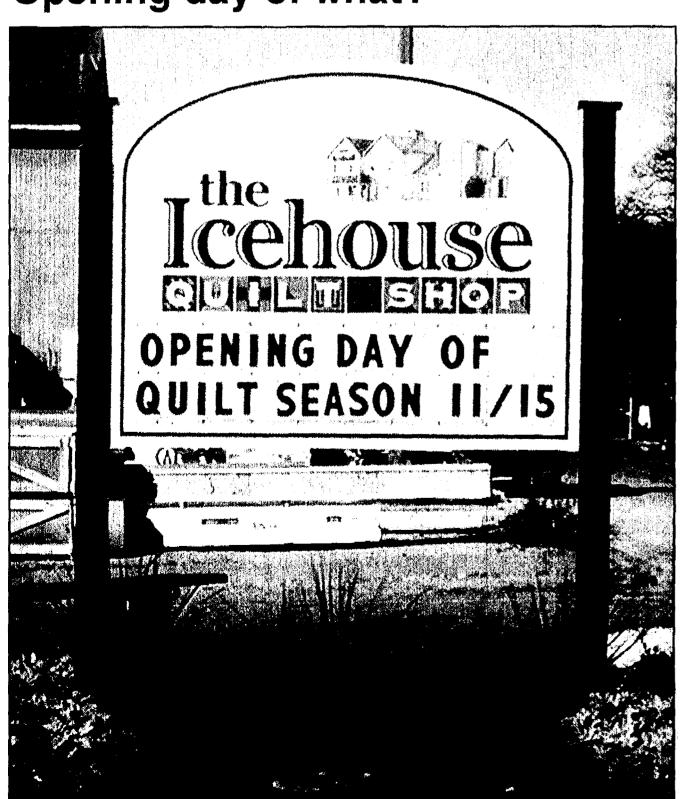
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Term limits hurt more than help, health care officials say

by Marc R. Rehmann Capital News Service

Health care officials and legislators often disagree on policy issues, but lately some of them have begun to agree that term limits can negatively affect the

"The concept is good. However, the actual weight of terms are a bit short," said Rep. Rick Shaffer, R-Three Rivers. "I think the voters will soon come to the realization of this."

Lobbying groups such as the Health Care Association of Michigan (HCAM) have less direct relationships with legislators because of term limits.

"A lot of the legislators are unable to know the issues," said Reginald Carter, the president of HCAM. "They are so overwhelmed when taking office that they can't possibly be informed enough about the topics at hand."

Since the 1992 state constitutional amendment, health care officials have been forced to develop stronger relationships with fewer legislators, Carter

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said. Health care agencies now depend on certain lawmakers, such as Shaffer, who has been involved in the nursing field for more than 25 years.

"When you think about it, legislators have to deal with hundreds of bills each year," Carter said. "They must depend on the knowledge of others to take a stand on nursing homes, overcrowded hospitals and medical technician issues."

Under term limits the attorney general, governor, secretary of state and senators are limited to eight years, and House members are limited to six.

Norlite Nursing Center in Marquette has seen the negative effects of term limits.

"One of the issues with term limits is that as soon as legislators learn about the situations, such as long-term care, they are out," said administrator Maila Tiffany. "We try to educate them and how issues effect the elderly, but it takes time and they don't have enough time. Term limits aren't beneficial to us."

First-term House member Matthew Gillard, D-Alpena, agrees with Tiffany that term limits may not be in the best interest of Michigan residents.

"I don't think term limits are working the way they had hoped them to," Gillard said. "I don't think they're in the best interest of the northern districts of the state as we need to have people with experience."

Some people, such as Western Michigan University's Professor Robert Peters, say term limits aren't the entire problem.

"Their jobs may be a little bit tougher," said Peters, the university's director of the School of Affairs Administration. "But I wouldn't agree that we have representatives that aren't knowledgeable about topics."

Rep. Sandra Caul, R-Mount Pleasant, is one of 37 House members who are being ousted by term limits in this year's election.

"Negative things tend to happen when term limits are placed," Caul said. "We tend to have senior members in the Senate and freshman members in the House."

Caul, who has more than 30 years of experience in the health care field, said bureaucracy doesn't move as fast as it needs to.

"Legislators are here today and gone tomorrow," she said. "It's challenging to know all the routes of health care. The average legislative tenure used to be 12 years long. For now, the key word here is to compromise."

Compromising is exactly what organizations such as the Michigan Health and Hospital Association have been doing since voters passed the term limit law 12 years ago. .

"Since we don't have the tenure anymore, our focus is now on educating," said Sherry Mirasola, the association's vice president of corporate communications. "It's become very imperative for people in Lansing to constantly go back and build a relationship. The overall main point is that we are Americans and we like convenience."

When dealing with health care, aspect to it."

Mirasola said, the state has a variety of dynamics that it must work

"Most people think of Detroit, Flint and Grand Rapids, but a majority of our state covers rural areas," Mirasola said. "In rural facilities you don't have the practicality of convenience, which can cause a problem, but in a sense they are ahead of the game. It's phenomenal how a person in the Upper Peninsula can travel 200 miles for an optometrist appointment."

Gillard, who represents constituents in six counties across northeastern Lower Michigan. said having access to medicine and facilities remains one of the largest issues in rural areas.

"I have two hospitals in my entire district," Gillard said. "But through hard work and relationships, we have been able to help these areas. One positive thing about our area is the people working for patients know them. They have known their families for years. There is more of a personal

OMH campaign exceeds goal

The generosity of the Otsego Memorial Hospital (OMH) service area has been displayed once again as the Growing With the Community Capital Campaign surpasses its goal of raising \$1.5 million to support the Otsego Memorial Hospital's construction and renovation project.

"We were confident when we launched the campaign in May that the philanthropic spirit of the communities served by OMH would rise and help us meet our goal," said Deborah Allen, director of the Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation. "Thank you to the many individual and corporate donors who have demonstrated an understanding that this expansion is truly for the health of the communities we serve."

The capital campaign had a strong start with outstanding support from the Hospital employees, auxilians, medical staff, and board members.

"In May we launched the community phase of the campaign and have had many community partners step up to the plate and make an investment in the health of the community," Allen said.

"Supporting this campaign is an investment in the long-term

health of our community," said Dave Taylor, President of Fifth Third Bank, Gaylord. Fifth Third Bank was one of the major contributors to the campaign.

"This expansion will focus on the outpatient areas, which is where much growth is occurring in healthcare facilities nationwide," said Thomas Lemon, Chief Executive Officer of OMH. "The services we provide in the next few years in this newly expanded area will help fund future improvements organization- support the expansion project con-

The renovation and expansion program, which is now under way, is phase one of a comprehensive Facility Master Plan to address the growth concerns. To accommodate increased demand for outpatient services, OMH is expanding and renovating key clinical facilities including ambulatory care and outpatient surgical services, cardiopulmonary and cardiac rehabilitation services, diagnostic imaging (X-Ray), intensive care, laboratory, pharmacy and rehabilitation services.

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will be generated to allow for the internal funding of future growth phases of inpatient and skilled nursing areas.

Altogether these improvements will ensure that the primary clinical functions of Otsego Memorial Hospital have the facilities and equipment required to meet the healthcare needs of a growing community and region for the next decade of service.

"The official campaign has been concluded, but contributions to tinue to come in from people in the community who are concerned about the future of healthcare," Allen said. "We will continue to warmly accept contributions to support the project. There are a variety of ways to support the Hospital through financial gifts and we are happy to share that information with people in the community."

For more information about supporting the Hospital with a taxdeductible contribution, contact Deb Allen, at the OMH Foundation Office at (989) 731-2342. Contributions can also be mailed directly to: OMH Foundation, 825 N. Center Avenue, Gaylord, MI 49735.

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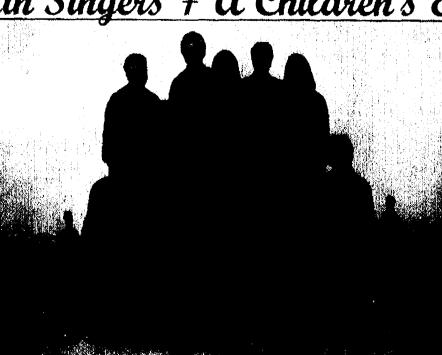
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Vikings end regular season with 48-40 victory over Rams

Grayling fights through late run by Harbor Springs to win it

Basketball team to play in district tourney this week at Cheboygan

Grayling High School's varsity girls basketball team ended its 2004 regular season with a 48-40 victory over the visiting Harbor Springs Rams last Tuesday at GHS.

The Vikings led 15-7 after one quarter of play. The Rams fought back in the second period, tying the contest at 18-18 at one point, but Grayling was able to end the first half with a 25-20 advantage. GHS led by 10, 35-25, going into the fourth quarter.

The Vikings outscored Harbor Springs 6-2 in the first 2:30 of the fourth period, with all six points resulting from jump shots by Trisha Petersen.

The Rams went on an 11-0 run to pull within three, 41-38. The run included a 7 for 8 performance at the free throw line for Harbor Springs.

Free throws by Petersen and Mandy Czapek put Grayling up by five, 43-38, with 2:35 left in the game.

With under two minutes to play, Petersen came up with a steal and finished the possession with a drive to the basket, giving GHS a 45-38 lead with 1:11 left in regulation.

Two free throws by Harbor Springs pulled the Rams to within five. Michelle McGuire scored a lay-up on an in-bounds pass from Kelly Dunckley to put the Vikings up by seven.

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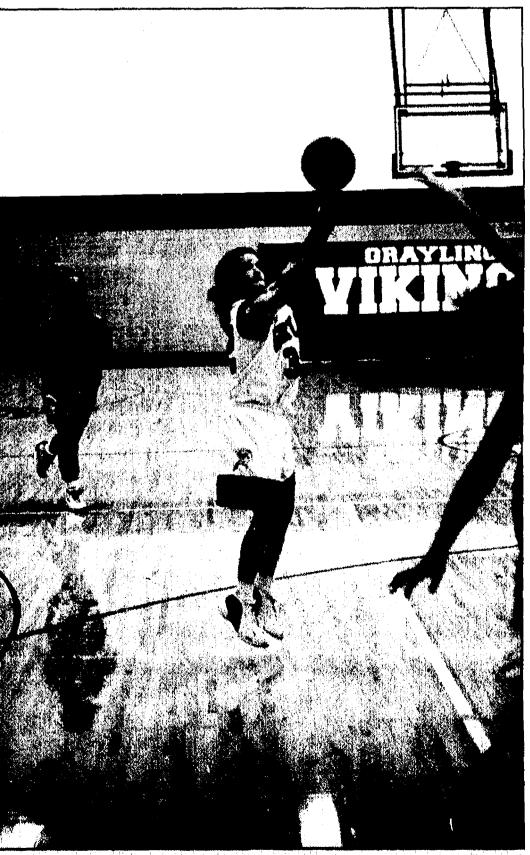


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Kelly Dunckley shoots for Grayling from underneath the basket in last Tuesday's varsity girls basketball game against the Harbor Springs Rams.



Michelle McGuire drives to the basket for the Vikings in last week's contest vs. Harbor Springs.



Trisha Petersen takes a jump shot for the Vikings vs. the Rams on Tuesday night.

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Winter sports seasons to begin soon

■ Boys basketball, wrestling, and volleyball teams begin practicing

Practices for most high school winter sports teams begin this week and next week, and first games are scheduled for early December in sports such as boys basketball, girls volleyball, and wrestling.

• Basketball - Rich Moffit is back as coach of the Grayling High School varsity boys basketball team. One of his volunteer assistant coaches will be Butch Hayes, longtime JV coach and teacher who retired at the end of the 2003-04 school year. Chris Kucharek, this year's JV football coach at GHS and a varsity assistant for boys basketball last year, will coach the junior varsity team. Ben DeHoog, a teacher new to the district this year, will coach the freshman team. DeHoog was a varsity assistant coach for football this fall.

The teams started practicing on Tuesday, November 16.

League contests will all be tripleheaders again this year. Many non-league game days will also include all three teams.

The JV and varsity Vikings will open their 2004-05 season with games at Roscommon on Tuesday, December 7. The JV game starts at 6 p.m.

On Friday, December 10, the Vikings will play a tripleheader at Gaylord starting with the freshman game.

Grayling's home opener is Tuesday, scheduled for December 14, with the freshman game starting at 4:30 p.m. The Vikings will be hosting West Branch Ogemaw Heights in a non-league match-up.

The Vikings open their Lake Michigan Conference schedule with a home series vs. Harbor Springs on Friday, December 17.

Grayling's middle school boys basketball coaches are Tim Sanchez (8th), Rocky Tobin (8th), Mark Hartman (7th), and John Junttila (7th).

The 7th and 8th grade middle school teams open their 2004-05 schedules with home games against East Jordan on Monday, November 22.

• Volleyball -- The new varsity coach for GHS volleyball is Jenny Swander, last year's JV volleyball coach. Samara Sabin, a GMS teacher, is back as the freshman team's coach. Brooke Blaauw, a social worker through COOR, will coach the JV squad this year.

"I know Jenny has been putting in a lot of time planning stuff and getting ready," said Doug Pummell, the school district's Athletic Director.

The volleyball program will have try-outs next week.

The varsity volleyball team will open its 2004-05 season with a meet at Roscommon on Saturday, December 11. The varsity, JV, and freshman teams will all host East Jordan on Monday, December 16, at 6 p.m.

The middle school volleyball coaches are Donna Boughner and Angie Golnick.

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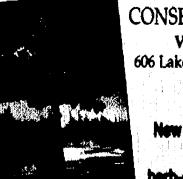
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Rams win freshman game



Photos by Caleb Casey

Rachel Ward looks to shoot the ball for Grayling in last Tuesday's freshman girls basketball game vs. the visiting Harbor Springs Rams. Grayling trailed by four after three periods, but the Rams pulled away in the fourth quarter and won the contest by a final score of 42-20.



Tiffany Davis handles the ball for Grayling.



Jessie Baker shoots for the Vikings.







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future endeavors," their coach said.

eight with 20 seconds remaining. Harbor Springs missed two shot attempts at the other end and the game ended. Grayling won 48-40.

free throw line to put GHS up by

"This was a great win for us," Coach L.J. Mead said. "Harbor Springs finished 2nd in our conference behind undefeated Charlevoix. The girls played with tremendous energy, diving for loose balls and causing turnovers. I loved it."

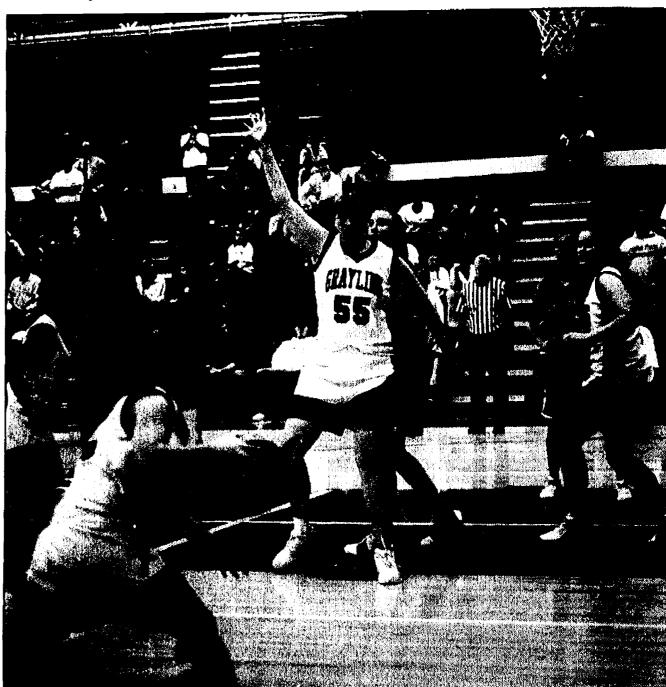
Mead added.

For Grayling, Czapek had 8 points, 11 rebounds, 6 blocks, and 3 assists; McGuire had 10 points and 5 steals; Petersen had 15 points and 4 rebounds; Katie Baynham had 11 points and 7 rebounds; and Dunckley had 4 points and 5 rebounds.

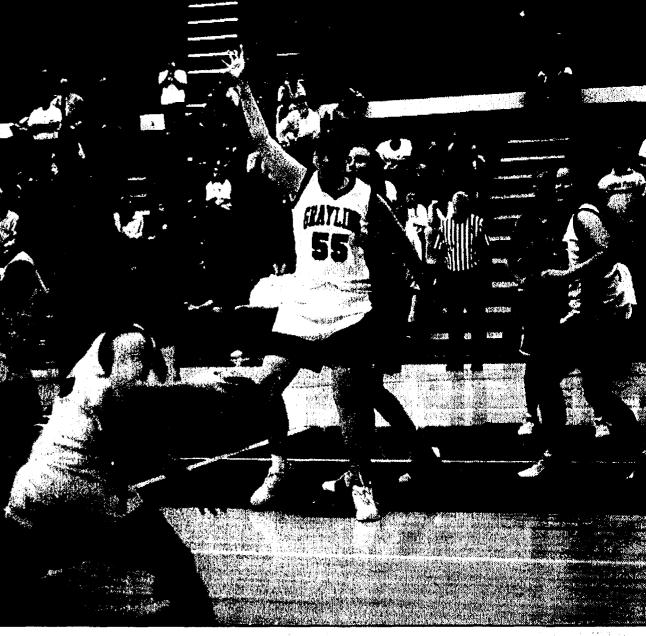
The Vikings finished their 2004 regular season with a 9-11 overall record.

On Monday, November 15, the "This win gives us momentum Vikings defeated Roscommon

going into districts," Coach 51-45 at Cheboygan in round one of the district tournament. With the victory, Grayling advanced to the semi-finals, where Vikings faced Elk Rapids on Tuesday, November 16. (Results of Tuesday night's game were not available prior to press time.) The district championship game will be held on Friday, November 19 at 7 p.m. at Cheboygan. For more on Grayling's district tournament run, see next week's Crawford County Avalanche.



Mandy Czapek posts up for Grayling vs. Harbor Springs on Tuesday.



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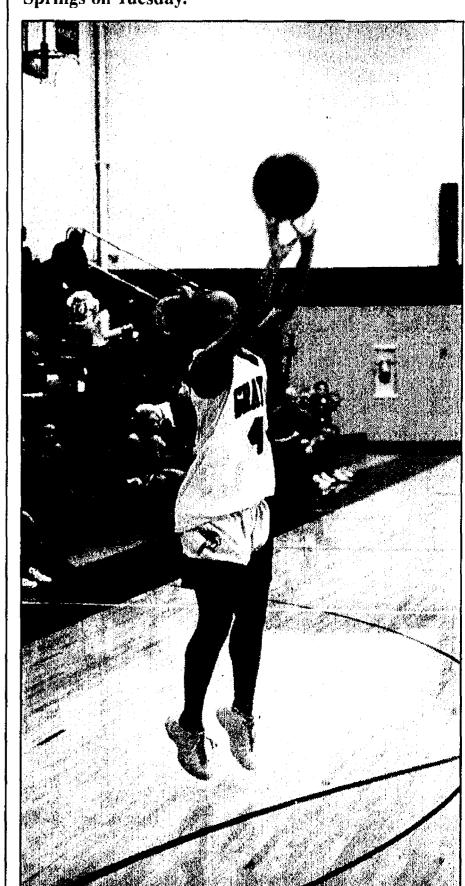
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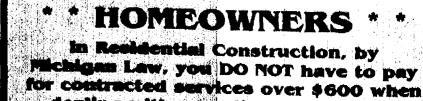
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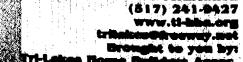




Katie Baynham shoots for Grayling from three-point range. For more photos from Tuesday night's game, see Page 5B.

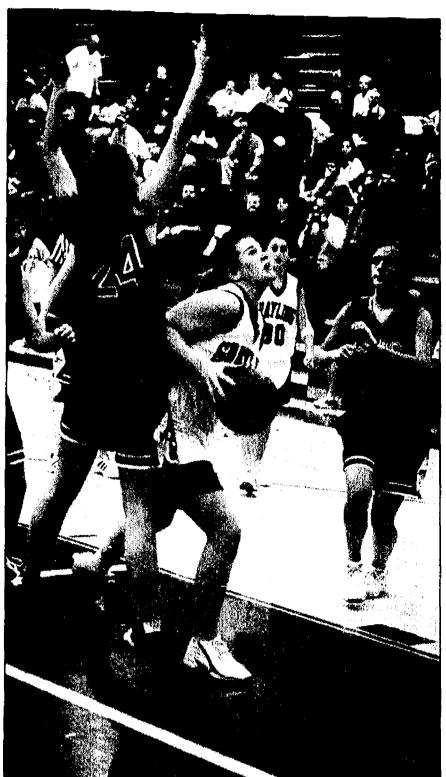


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Vikings end regular season with 48-40 victory over Rams



Photos by Caleb Casey Kelly Dunckley handles the ball in the post for Grayling in last Tuesday's 48-40 victory over the visiting Harbor Springs Rams.



Andrea Southard boxes out a Harbor Springs player in last week's varsity girls basketball game at Grayling High School.



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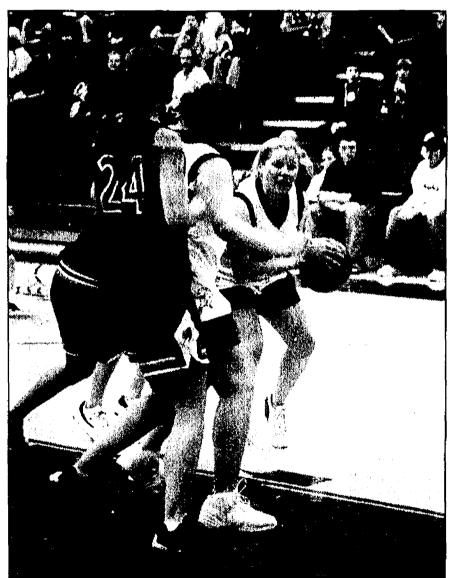
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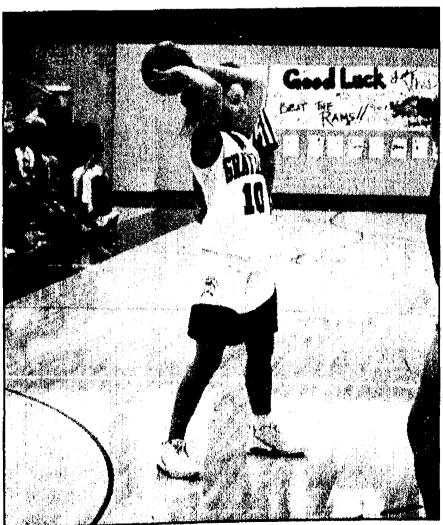
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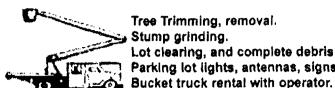
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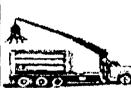
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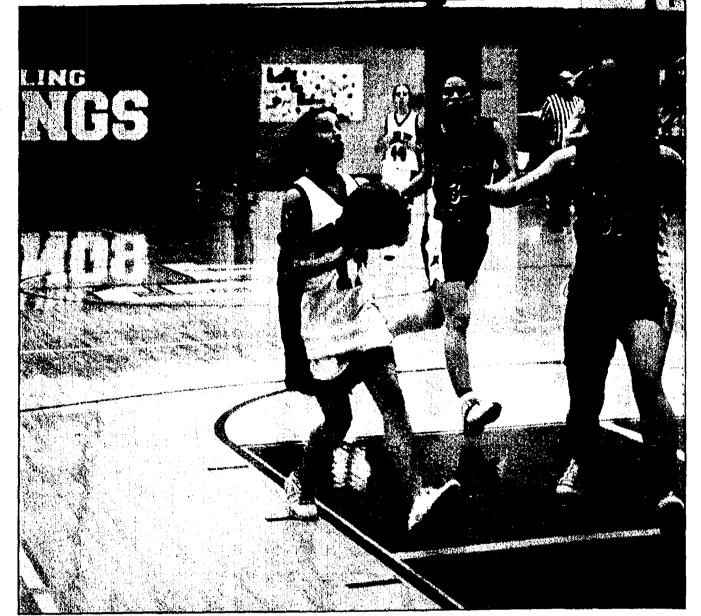
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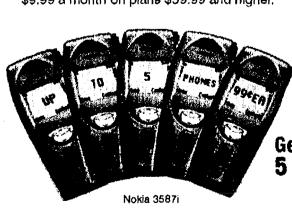
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Photos by Caleb Casey Kelly Lange passes the ball to a teammate in Tuesday night's game.

The GHS junior varsity girls basketball team ended its 2004 season last Tuesday with a 48-17 loss to Harbor Springs at Grayling High School.

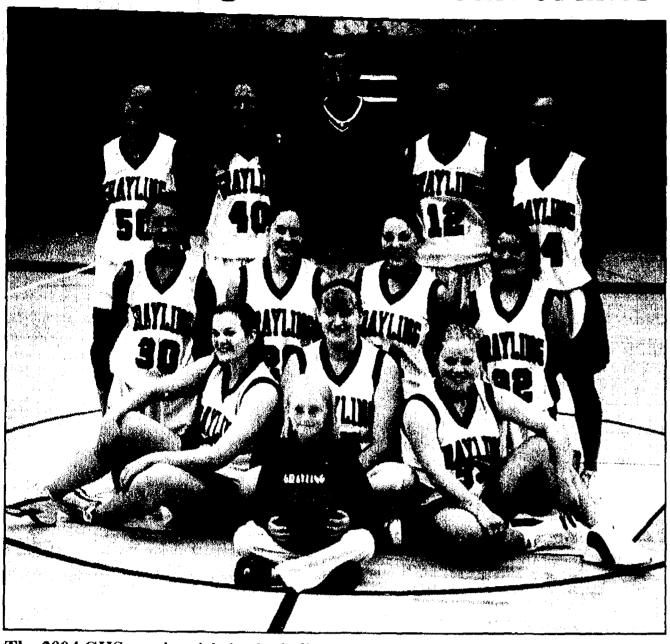
"Harbor Springs has a great shooting team. They lit it up in the first half, outscoring us 29-10. We just weren't getting off good shots. Also, we were not rebounding like we can. I think the lack of rebounds and second shots accounts for our low score," Coach Kelly McCoy said.

For Grayling, Ali Ferrigan had 5 points, 2 rebounds, 1 block, 1 assist, and 2 steals; Abby Wheeler had 2 points, 6 rebounds, and 1 steal; Monica Leslie had 2 points, 5 rebounds, and I block; Kelly Lange had 2 points, 1 rebound, and 2 steals; Amber Palmer had 2 points, 2 rebounds, and I steal; Annie Melroy had 2 points and 1 rebound; Jessica Bobenmoyer had 2 points, 1 rebound, and I steal.



All Ferrigan goes up to pass in last week's Grayting vs. Harbor Springs game at GHS.

2004 GHS girls basketball teams



The 2004 GHS varsity girls basketball team: (front) Manager Tara Pummell; (second row, L to R) Kelly Dunckley, Mandy Czapek, Jodi Riddle; (third row, L to R) Michelle McGuire, Amanda Lutz, Samantha Wakeley, Trisha Petersen; (back, left to right) Teqila Reynolds, Maranda Shear, Coach L.J. Mead, Andrea Southard, Katie Baynham. Not pictured: Jenny VanNuck.



The 2004 GHS junior varsity girls basketball team: (L to R) Coach Kelly McCoy, Kelly Lange, Monica Leslie, Ashley Bindschatel, Abby Wheeler, Jessica Bobenmoyer, Danielle Williams, Ali Ferrigan, Amber Palmer, Whitney Keir.



The 2004 GHS freshman girls basketball team: (front, L to R) Gabby Calkins, Jessie Baker; (middle, L to R) Nikki Dedafoe, Jessie Riddle, Coach Jenny Swander, Rachel Ward, Katie Zill; (back, L to R) Monica Peters, Tiffany Davis, Annie Melroy, Cassie Pizzi, Rachel Doremire, Audrey Alimenti.

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Grayling Vikings 7th & 8th Grade "A" Team **Boys Basketball** 2004-2005 Schedule

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Monday	December 6, 2004	Kalkaska	H	4:30	
Thursday	December 9, 2004	Elk Rapids	Α	4:30	3:00
Monday	December 20, 2004	Elk Rapids	H	4:30	
Tuesday	January 4, 2005	West Branch Ogemaw Hgts.			
		7 th grade	H	5:00	
		8 th grade	Α	5:00	3:45
Thursday	January 6, 2005	Traverse City St. Francis	Α	4:30	2:45
Monday	January 10, 2005	Kalkaska	Α	5:00	4:00
Thursday	January 13, 2005	Harbor Springs	Α	4:30	2:1:
Monday	January 17, 2005	West Branch Ogemaw Hgts.			
		7th grade	Α	5:00	3:4:
		8th grade	Н	5:00	

Grayling Vikings Varsity & Junior Varsity Boys Basketball 2004-2005 Schedule

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Day	Date	Opponent	**/4	Event	Bus
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Grayling Vikings **Boys Basketball** 2004-2005 Schedule

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Tuesday	November 30, 2004	Charlevoix	H	5:00	
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Tuesday	January 4, 2005	West Branch Ogemaw Hgts.	Α	5:00	3:45
Wednesday	January 5, 2005	Gaylord	Α	5:00	3:45
Wednesday	January 12, 2005	Gaylord	H	5:00	
Thursday	January 13, 2005	Harbor Springs	A	4:30	2:15
Monday	January 17, 2005	West Branch Ogemaw Hgts.	H	5:00	

Grayling Vikings 7th Grade "B" Team **Boys Basketball**

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	November 22, 2004	East Jordan	H	5:00	
Wednesday		Boyne City	Α	4:30	3:15
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Tuesday	January 4, 2005	West Branch Ogemaw Hgts.	H	5:00	
Wednesday	January 5, 2005	Gaylord	Α	5:00	3:45
Monday	January 10, 2005	Kalkaska	Α	5:00	4:00
Wednesday		Gaylord	Н	5:00	
Monday	January 17, 2005	West Branch Ogemaw Hgts.	A	5:00	3:45

8th Grade "B" Team

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Tuesday	November 30, 2004	Charlevoix	11	5:00	
Monday	December 6, 2004	Kalkaska	H	4:30	
Monday	December 13, 2004	Traverse City St. Francis	H	4:30	
Monday	December 20, 2004	Elk Rapids	H	4:30	
Tuesday	January 4, 2005	West Branch Ogemaw Hgts.	Α	5:00	3:45
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Winter sports seasons to begin soon

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• Wrestling - Don Ferguson is back as coach of the GHS wrestling team. One of his assistant coaches will be Joe Ferrigan, the middle school wrestling coach.

Practice for the high school team began this

The wrestling team opens its 2004-05 season with a meet vs. Whittemore and Gaylord at Gaylord on Thursday, December 2, at 6 p.m. The squad's first home meet will be in January.

• Skiing - Mike Wieland will be the ski team's coach again this year. Brad Wagner is coach of the middle school ski team.

Schedules for the ski teams were not yet available as of last week.

• Cheerleading – As of last Thursday, the coaches for GHS cheerleading had not been determined. The middle school cheerleading coach will be Chris Burrell.

POOL LEAGUE

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KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

11. Green Bay

12. Carolina

14. U of M (62)

13. Auburn

Mens Team

WARREN - Lanny McCalm scored 23 points and Anton Duncan added 17 Saturday to pace Lake Michigan to an 86-70 win over Kirtland in the consolation game of the Macomb

Freshman guard Antonio Berry led Kirtland with 18 points seven rebounds. DeMarvelous Carter had 13 points and seven rebounds and Victor Hamilton added 11 points

for the Firebirds.

The night before, Kirtland lost its season opener, 88-77, to Grand Rapids. In that game, Frank Washington scored 19 points and Bernard Daniels had 11 for the Firebirds.

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- 1. Jacksonville (37)
- 2. Chicago
- 3. Indianapolis
- 4. Baltimore
- 5. St. Louis
- 6. Atlanta
- 7. New Orleans
- 8. Pittsburgh
- 9. Cincinnati (27)
- 10. Arizona
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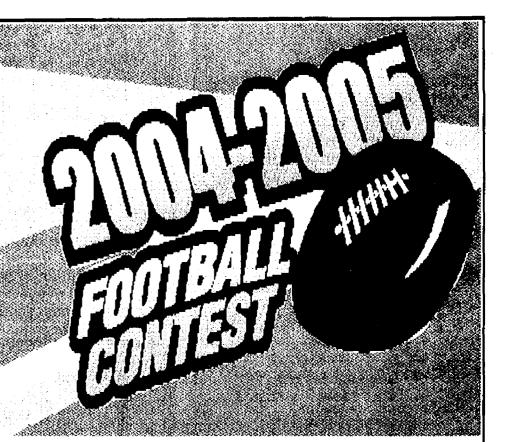
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(1) Confessions must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers and debreakers (total points accord by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct plots who all the weekly prizes listed. If the its breakers can not determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mall slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Malled entries must be postmarted no later than 5 pm Enday. Mall to Crawford County Avalenche, PO Box 490, Grayling MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalenche. No purchase necessarry to enter. Entry forms available at the Avalenche office. Winner they claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays, identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

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Grayling Pharmacy 23 - 17 Kicking Grass 22 - 18 Bear's Den Pizza . . . 19 - 21 Spike's Keg O' Nails . . 18 - 22 Sylvesters Sports 17 - 23 Lone Pine Restaurant . 16 - 24 High Series Men: K. Harris, 627; P. Faustman, 565; G. Wolfe, 506. High Game Men: K. Harris, 241; P. Faustman, 224; K. Louchart, 196. High Series Women: M. Rysso,

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igh Series: M. Cole, 521; C. ark, 516; T. Parker, 495. igh Game: M. Cole, 205; T. ock, 199; M. Schreiner, 197. Recreation League

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Canfield, 243; D. Walker, 228. Northwood League Carey & Jaskowski. ... 28 - 12

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223; C. Hanson, 221; M. Horton, High Series Women: P. Benardo,

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(DATE OF NOTICE) 10-24-04

ADDRESS: 308 Lawndale Drive

PHONE NUMBER: (989) 348-9314

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PROJECT TITLE OR NAME: MI 047-001-004

PURPOSE OR NATURE OF PROJECT: Mixed

LOCATION OF PROJECT: 308 Lawndale Drive

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT: \$185,000.00

FUNDING SOURCE: Hud Capital Funds

net, screens and GFI replacement

the expiration of the comment period.

NOTICE

The City of Grayling will have a FINAL leaf pick up on Tuesday,

November 23, 2004. All leaves must be bagged in biodegradable

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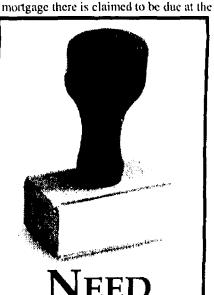
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tracey L. Hubbard, a married woman and Thomas L. Hubbard, husband of Tracy L. Hubbard, original mortgagor(s), to Watson Group Financial Corp., a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 9, 1996, and recorded on March 12, 1996 in Liber 408 on Page 451, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Bank of America, FSB as assignce by an assignment dated February 14, 1996 recorded on March 12, 1996 in Liber 408 on Page 458, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which



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December 15, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan: commencing at the center of said Section 29, thence South 89 degrees 23 minutes West (along the East and West 1/4 line of said Section 29), 387.8 feet, thence South 34 degrees 02

The Maple Forest Township Board will be accepting bids for snow removal at the township hall located at 8996 N. Sherman Rd. Bids should be for the 2004-2005 winter season and include snow removal for the township hall parking lot, driveway, and light shoveling and salting in front of both entrances. All bids must be sub-Records mitted by December 5, 2004 and will be reviewed at the next town-

ship meeting on December 9, 2004. Maple Forest Township reserves the right to reject any bids. Contact number is (989) 348-5543.

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CRAWFORD COUNTY GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY BOARD POSITIONS

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Applicants are required to be county residents and to help facilitate parks and recreation services in Crawford County as well as to operate and maintain Hanson Hills Recreation area and winter sports park and the Grayling Fish Hatchery. Applications can be obtained from and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore by Wednesday, November 24, 2004 at 3:30 p.m. or may be obtained on line thru www.crawfordco.org and returned to Crawford County Clerk 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Mi

Sandra Moore, County Clerk November 9, 2004

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting) on Thursday, December 2, 2004, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, PO Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for furnishing the following quotation for services:

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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordancé with MCLA 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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Notice Of Mortgage **Foreclosure Sale**

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brett C. Ginther and Deborah A. Ginther, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., mortgagee, dated December 5, 2000, and recorded December 6, 2000 in Liber 524, Page 334, in Crawford County Records. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Ten And 13/100 Dollars (\$97,610.13), including interest at 8.50%

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on December 22, 2004.

The premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 42, North Park Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in liber 01 of plats, page 64, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that even, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: November 18, 2004 ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC

Attorneys For Mortgage Blectronic Registration Systems, Inc., As Mortgagee P.O. Box 5041

Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File #280.1118

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ESTABLISH A REGULAR ELECTION DATE

Please take notice that pursuant to the provisions of the Consolidated Election Law enacted in December of 2003, the Board of Education of the Crawford AuSable School District will conduct a public hearing on the establishment of a new regular election date pursuant to law.

The dates authorized by law for school regular elections are:

(A) The odd year May regular election date.

(B) The general election date in both even and odd years.

(C) The May regular election date in both even and odd years.

The Board has tentatively established May as the regular election date on an annual basis.

The hearing will be held in the Grayling Elementary School in the district at 7:00 o'clock in the p.m. on the 22nd day of November, 2004.

If the Board of Education falls to approve the tentative election date or any other date authorized by law, the regular election will be held at the odd year general election held in November commencing with the election to be held November 2, 2005.

The Board of Education is authorized by law to adopt a resolution setting the regular election date immediately subsequent to the public hearing.

> John Pilon Secretary, Board of Education

EATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago November 19, 1981

Five or seven county commissioners - that's the question awaiting a five-member Crawford Reapportionment Commission. By November 30, the commission has to decide the number of county commissioners and the areas they represent for the next ten years. The reapportionment is occurring nationwide as counties redraw district lines to reflect population figures recorded in the 1980 census.

Lt. Robert J. Ruddy of Grayling has been promoted to the position of undersheriff for the Crawford County Sheriff's Dept. Sheriff Joe White made the announcement at the November 10 regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

Barry and Darlene Fenn have opened a new dental business in Fred Bear's former residence.

Any resemblance between the facts of life in the lumbering era and the story that the Grayling Rotary Club will tell on Dec. 3 -4 will be strictly coincidental. Those are the dates of the annual Minstrel Show which has the theme this year, Milltown - The Lumberjack Era. The rugged lumberjacks include: "Spike" McIsaac, "Crosscut" Nunn, "Axe" Naour, "Moose" Branch, "Bull" Thomson, "Slim" Hull, "Stix" Thompson and "Cookie" Lange.

Bob and Susan McCurdy are happy over the arrival of Brian Robert, who was born on November 1, 1981 at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

At the 4-H Second Annual

Awards Banquet held out at the High School the following achievement awards were presented to members of the 4-H Clubs: The Food and Nutrition Award went to Heidi Stephenson, The Horse Award went to Damon Thayer and

Gerri Olson. Achievement Awards

went to Marie Stephan, Ruth

Boddy and Amy Hough. 46 Years Ago

November 20, 1958

9th, at St. Mary's church.

John Arthur, three-week old son of Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoffman, was baptized Sunday, November

The 1958 version of the Grayling High Viking basketball squad began its formation last Monday with the first workouts as the football togs were being stored away for another year. A group of 40 turned out for the first practice under head coach Bruce Smith. Last year's letter winners who are back are: Roger Hatfield, Oscar Horning, Jack Hull, Frank Gross, Gary Springs, Dave Wyman and Jim Kesseler. Moving up from jayvee's will be Curt smith, Bill Heath, Dick McLeod and Don Leslie. Bob Haskett, a transfer student from the Detroit area, will become eligible at the start of the second semester.

69 Years Ago

November 21, 1935

Carl Tahvonen and his assistants have just completed new sidewalks and foundation wall about the Olson building, which is a nice improvement to that property. The stores are occupied by the Olson drug store and Esbern Olson Shoe

store.

Grey skies with no snow and mild weather greeted deer hunters for the opening of the season last Friday and has continued such so far. Register of Deeds Ronnew Hanson seems to have been the first local hunter to fill his license.

At a meeting of the Hospital Aid at the home of Mrs. A.J., Joseph last Thursday, Mrs. C.R. Keyport, President of the Aid, brought up the matter of the Aid giving another New Year's Ball and it was decided to have the ball Tuesday, December 31. There were thirty-nine ladies in attendance at the Aid meeting, which is the largest number in some time.

Nearly all of the seniors and juniors of Frederic High School were off for the first day of hunting season, having their class work and work books brought up in advance. Elmo Nephew was the only one successful in bringing in his buck. However, Nelson Vollmer, Clyde Lozon, Gerald Newberry and Erwin Dunckley all report considcrable pleasure in having shot near enough to scare their prospective bucks.

In Frederic News - Aubrey Welch was among the lucky hunters to get his buck the first morning of deer season.

The Ladies Missionary Society held an all day meeting on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Max Tobin. Clothes were packed and sent to the needy.

92 Years Ago November 21, 1912

Robbers entered the store of the Grayling Mercantile Co. last night and helped themselves to \$161. but he drives his car just as usual. This is the third time that this store

has been broken into within a very

short time.

Arthur McIntrye, who has been clerking in the Lewis & Co.'s drug store, has resigned and is now assisting at the post office.

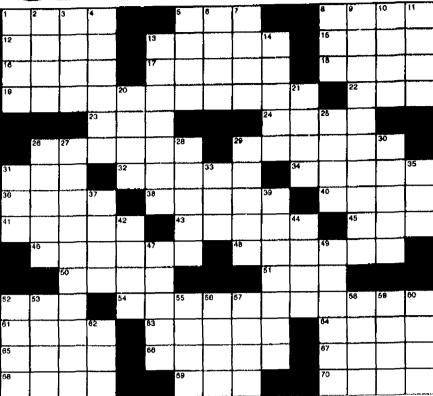
The Boyne City, Gaylord and Alpena railroad is again tied up with an injunction issued by the court at the request of a property owner, who has not agreed to the amount he shall receive for the right of way. The matter will be taken to the supreme court.

The home recently owned by Mrs. John Lowe of Beaver Creek occupied by Bandmaster Ed Clark and family has been sold. It was purchased for the use of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Belmore.

Miss Augusta Kraus, who has been teaching near Lovells, resigned her position, spent Sunday at her home here and left Monday afternoon for Roscommon, where she is going to teach about five miles from that place.

Frequent inquiries come to this office regarding the health and condition of Dr. N. S. Insley. We are pleased to inform our readers that Dr. Insley has completely recovered from his injuries of February 19. With the assistance of artificial feet he is able to be around and is conducting his practice the same as before. There is scarcely a day that he is not called upon to perform at least one surgical operation at Mercy Hospital and he is called on in consultation in important cases in other cities. He can't 43. Relating to the subcontinent of walk quite as rapidly as before

CROSSWO



ACROSS 1. To fight.

5. Norse goddess of the sea. To be moodily silent. 12. Thin metal plate.

13. Rises and falls like the tide.

16. Acronym for Information

Resources, Înc. 17. So old as to inspire veneration. 18. Acronym for Western Electric

Company 19. Relations of words to their bases.

22. To reject. 23. Short, high-pitched radio signal. 24. happy and relieved.

26. Fly in Africa south of the Sahara.

29. Rose up on the hind legs. 31. Acronym for Storeroom Item.

32. Utilizing recorded sound. 34. Has relevance. 36. Partial.

38. Long-necked white aquatic 40. Lacking moisture.

41. Guard during the iron age of Japan.

Japan. 5. Acronym for Employee Benefits Liability.

46. _ Krauss, blue grass singer. 48. Small plant-sucking insects. Ant, aka Stuart Leslie

51. Belongs to him.

52. To place in a specified position. 54. Bacterium that most commonly

causes pneumonia. 61. Great strength. 63. Henrik _, Norweglan poet and dramatist

64. Exposed pleced in backgam-65. Monster in fairy tales that eats

humans. 66. True firs.

67. Assistant.

68. Emplaced group of weapons.

69. Unhappy.70. To go from place to place without purpose.

DOWN Moved downward.

2. To trim off an outside part of. Independent African chieftan.

4. Formula for doing something. 5. Wildly amusing event. 6. South Indian recipe rava _, con-

taining semolina. 7. Fifth Roman emperor and stepson of the emperor Claudius. 8. Familiar saying that has become trite through repetition. 9. Unloved

10. Plural of locus. 11. John ... founder of Scottish

13. Roman civil war battle between Caesarians and Pompeians. 14. John Millington _, Irish poet and

dramatist 20. Brief biographical sketch. Thick slice.

25. Level piece of ground. Street of Street Talk.

27. Devices that enable reproduction of phenomena likely to occur. 28. St. _, first Christian king of Northumbria.

29. City containing the oldest bullrikng in Spain. 30. Negligible amounts. 31. Acronym for Sea Surface

33. _ Fleming, creator of James Bond. Temperature. Acronym for Standard

Distribution List. 37. In the same place; used when citing a reference.
39. Draw off through a siphon. 42. Acronym for American Society

of Adults with Pseudo-Obstruction. 44. Smart elegance and sophistication of dress. 47. Latin for "all things."

49. Line on a weather map connecting points of equal atmospheric pressure.

52. First meson discovered. 53. To present a forceful argument. 55. Falls back from flood stage.

56. Acronym for United States Information Agency.

57. Fitting return. 58. Greek muse of history.

59. Concluding passage of a move-60. Romantically involved couple.

62. Openwork fabric made of threads woven together at regular ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

DOUBLE LAYER PUMPKIN PIE

RECIPE **OF THE** WEEK

- 4 oz. (1/2 of 8-oz. pkg.) Cream Cheese, softened
- 1 Tbsp. milk
- 1 Tbsp. sugar 1 tub (8 oz.) Whipped Topping, thawed, divided 1 Graham Pie Crust (6 oz.)

1 cup milk

large bowl with wire whisk until well blended. thick.) Spread over cream cheese layer. Gently stir in half of the whipped topping. REFRIGERATE 4 hours or until set. Garnish Spread into crust.

POUR 1 cup milk into large bowl. Add pumpkin, pie in refrigerator. pudding mixes and spices. Beat with wire whisk

1 can (15 oz.) pumpkin

2 pkg. (4-serving size each) Vanilla Flavor Instant Pudding & Pie Filling 1 tsp. ground cinnamon

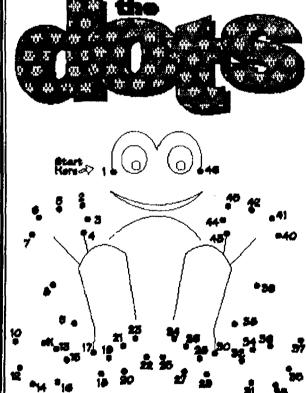
1/2 tsp. ground ginger 1/4 tsp. ground cloves

MIX cream cheese, 1 Tbsp. milk and sugar in 2 minutes or until well blended. (Mixture will be

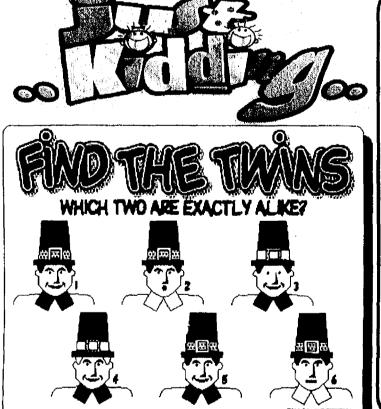
with remaining whipped topping. Store leftover



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Your boss assigns you the lead on a special project. Go out to lunch to celebrate. Then sit down, make a list of priorities and

Honor promises

or prepare to suffer

the consequences.

Facts get mixed up



April 19

TAMELLE

April 20-

May 20

Requests come at you from all directions. Learn to say no. You won't regret it. An elderly friend could use some cheering up.

You have yet to

your talents

develop your abilities

to their full potential.

Take steps to improve

your skills and hone



July 22

For the Week of November 18, 2004

You are plagued with fatigue. Make an appointment with your doctor and find out if it's due to a physical problem. A romantic dilemma is resolved.

Car troubles push

you to the brink. If

you have the funds,

consider buying a

new one; if not, do

a little research and

find a good mechanic.

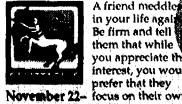


Show compassion for a friend who experiences a loss. A special occasion deserves careful thought and



Your home life is 🛔 nore peaceful than it has been for qui some time. Enjoy it-someone from the past is about to shake things up.

October 23-November 21



Be firm and tell them that while you appreciate th interest, you would prefer that they



Pat is about 11 months old. He is housebroken, neutered, has all of his vaccinations, and has been heartworm tested. We think he may be a Spaniel, Collie cross. He is very friendly and loves children, but still has a lot of puppy energy. For more information on any of our pets that are up for adoption, please visit our website at: www.ascc.petfinder.com

Help build a new shelter by purchasing a "Driving into the Future Raffle" ticket for a chance to win a brand new 2005 Dodge Durango! Tickets are \$100.00 each and only 2,000 will be sold. Anyone who would like a ticket should send a check or money order for the amount of tickets requested to: Animal Shelter Crawford County, Raffle Tickets, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738. Tickets are also on sale at the Avalanche, Riverland Gear, The Medicine Shoppe and the shelter

Two barrels have been placed near the gates of the shelter to receive donations of return-deposit cans and bottles. The new 2005 Pet and Dog Calendars are on sale at the Avalanche for a donation of \$5 each.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at: 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun. and Holidays 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117



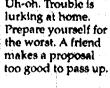
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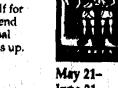


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misunderstanding ensues. Clarify the matter right away. Uh-oh. Trouble is





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August 23-September 22

July 23-

August 22

limits to what you can do. Don't take on tasks that you're not equipped to handle, no matter how important they may be.

Hey! There are



November 22- focus on their own December 21 problems

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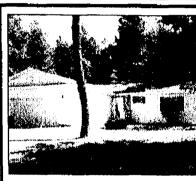
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1. Real Estate



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ome features cedar siding, split field stone

om windows, extensive decking, attached 2 car

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of land. \$189,000 #5273

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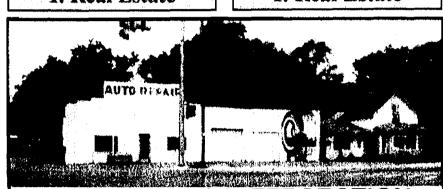
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open staircase, bulk-in book case, a Star Security

System, a custom Whirlpool Tub, a fully shelved

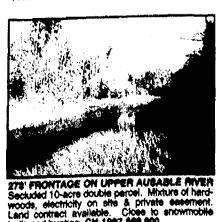
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HARBOR BEACH WITH DEEDED CANAL FRONTAGE AND PRIVATE SHARED SANDY BEACH 80° of shared private beach on Lake Margrethe. 3-story Chalet offers 3BR, 1 3/48h with 1800 square feet. This home is perfect for entertaining with 2 kitchens. Includes all the appliances, 2 stoves, 2 refrigerators, microwave, garbage disposal, washer & dryer. Extensive cedar deck off living room on upper level offers breath taking views. Beamed cellings with pickled white-wash. Ceramic tile in baths, black top circle driveway. Mature Red Pines on properly. Newer roof on house and garage. Property adjoins private bucktail park to the South. Private boat slip 87 with dock. Picnic area with volleyball & bas-kelball court. Private road is plowed. Annual Dues \$200. C\$-1953 \$185,000 \$200. CS-1953 \$185,000



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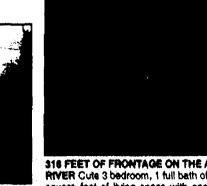




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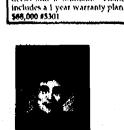












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2. For Rent

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3. Employment

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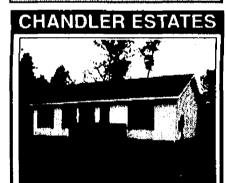
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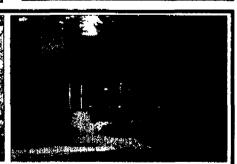


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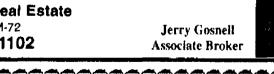
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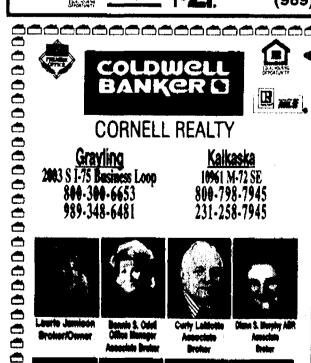
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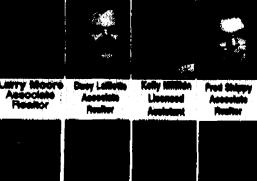
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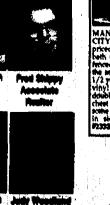
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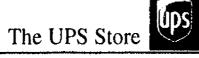
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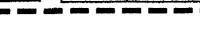
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8. Announcements

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COOKIE WALK and Ala Carte Supper Saturday, November 20. 4 pm to 8 pm. Michelson memorial United methodist Church. (-18/8)

THE ANIMAL SHELTER of Crawford County, in partnership with Laura's Scrapbook Nook and Malin Images, will hold Antique Children's Photo sessions to raise operating funds. Sessions will be held November 26 from 10 am to 6 pm, November 27 from 11 am to 7 pm, and November 28 from 12 pm to 8 pm. Appointments are necessary and sitting fee of \$9.95 must be prepaid. All clothing and props to create an 8" x 10" oldfashioned sepia toned photo of your children will be provided. Photo packages will be offered, but sitting fee covers cost of 8" x 10" and will be ready in time for Christmas. For more information or to make an appointment, call Cheryll at 348-1429 or Laura at 344-9473. Please leave a message including phone number, if necessary. Registrations may be paid at the Avalanche, The Copy Shop, or Laura's Scrapbook Nook. (-18/8)

9. Personals

NOVENA TO ST. JUDE Oh Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue, rich in miracle; near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need. To you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return, I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and Głories for nine consecutive days. Publication must be promised. St. Jude pray for us all who invoke your aid. Amen. This Novena has never been known to fail. (-18/9)

9. Personals

WALTER GALVANI my special father. Happy 70th Birthday, November 19th. Thanks for saving me from abortion. Hove you. Tonya. (-18/9)

8. Announcements

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The Grayling Housing Commission will be holding two public hearings on its Agency Plan. The Annual Plan is a compliance of the Housing commission's functional policies. The Five - year Plan is a guide for Housing Commission activities in the future.

As these plans are constructed, the Housing Commission must allow public review of these policies and allow for comment. Therefore, as of November 1, the Agency Plan and its constituent plans will be available for public review at the Housing Commission's office, located at 308 Lawndale Drive. At the reqularly scheduled meetings, on November 9th and December 14th p.m. public hearings will be held in order to receive any public comments on the plans.

Early Deadlines! Avalanche publishing early for Thanksgiving holiday!

The Crawford County Avalanche will publish on Tuesday, Nov. 23 so newsstand buyers and our local subscribers will receive the issue before the Thanksgiving holiday.

The deadline for all display ads is 5 pm Thursday, Nov. 18, to be considered for the Nov. 25th issue. Community news items and classified display ads must be turned in by noon Friday, Nov. 19. Classified ads by the word must be turned in by noon, Monday, Nov. 22.

The Avalanche will be closed Thursday, Nov. 25, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, and reopen at 9 am Friday, Nov. 26

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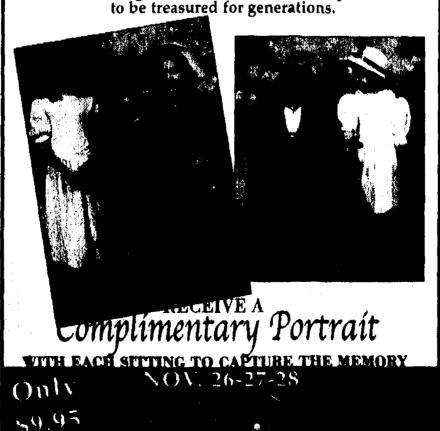
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The Crawford AuSable School District is accepting sealed bids for the sale of the following vehicles - International Dump Truck, 1986 Ford Pickup, 1981 Chevy Pickup, 1988 Dodge Van, 1989 Dodge Van, 1989 Pontiac Wagon, 1989 Ford Tempo. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 pm November 29,2004. All vehicles are located at the Transportation Department, 1135 North Old 27, Grayling. Persons interested can inspect the vehicles between the hours of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. Bids will be open on Monday, November 29 at 2:15 pm at the Crawford AuSable School District Office, 403 E. Michigan Ave, Grayling (989) 344-3500. The Crawford AuSable School District has the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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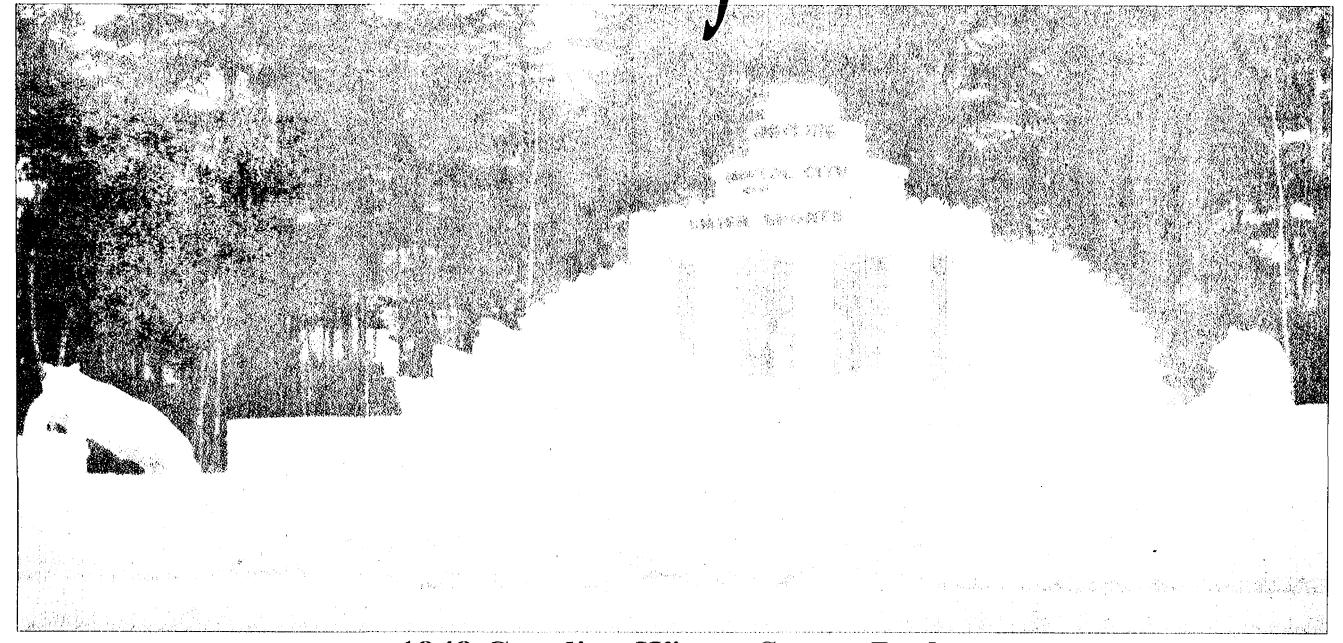
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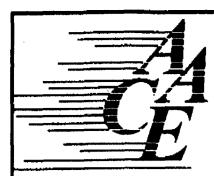
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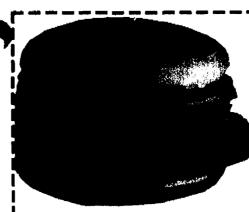


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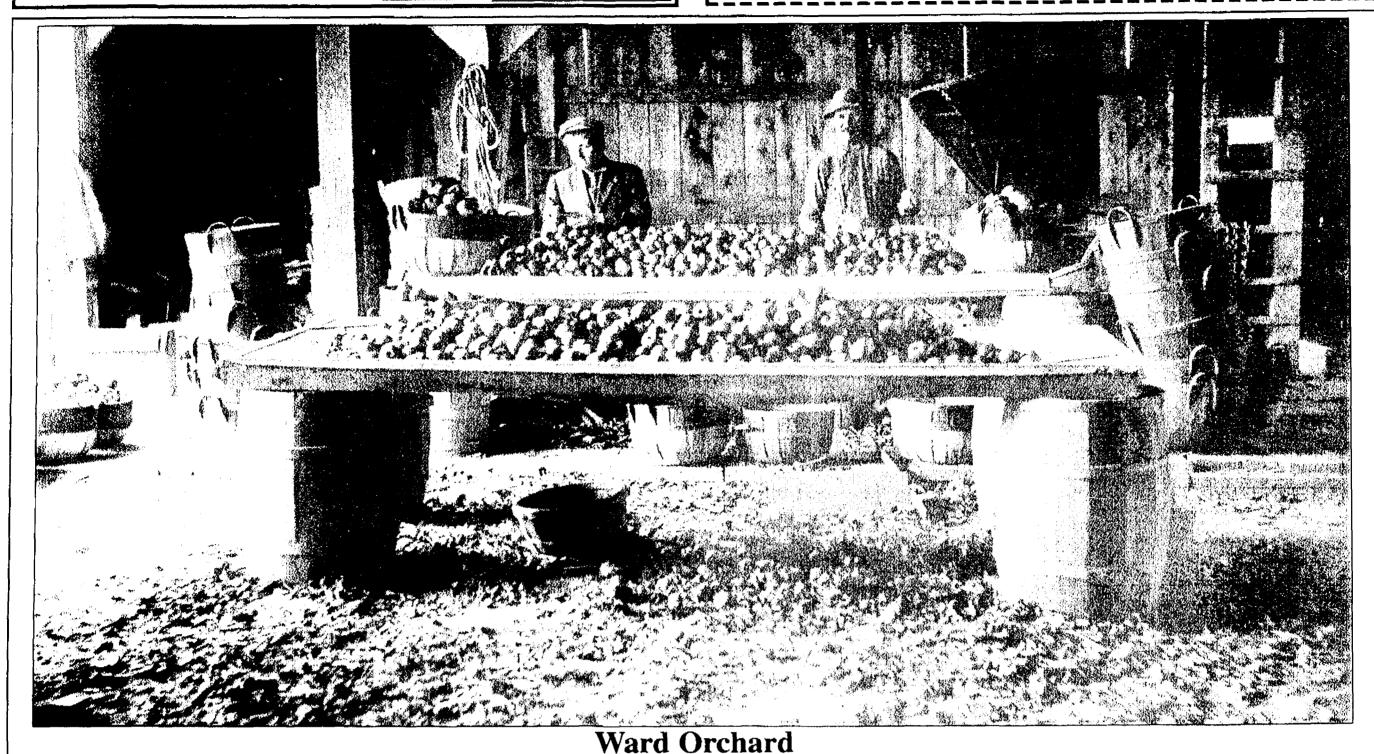
Workers are sorting apples at Ward Orchard for shipment by the railroad around 1910. Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum



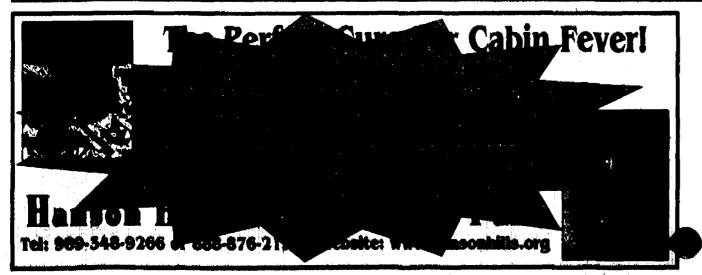
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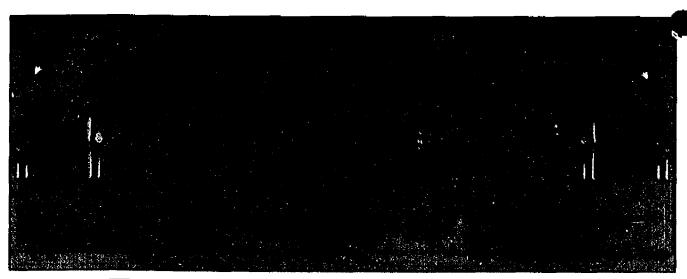
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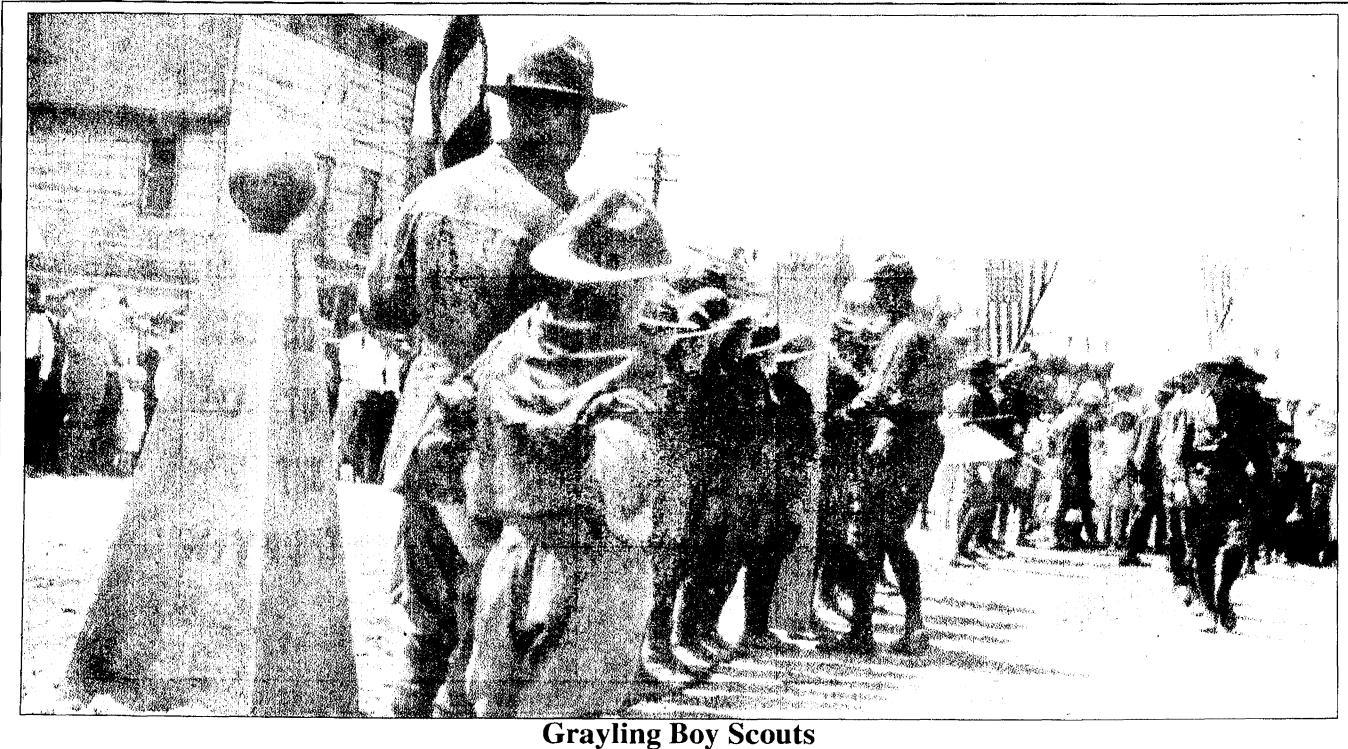


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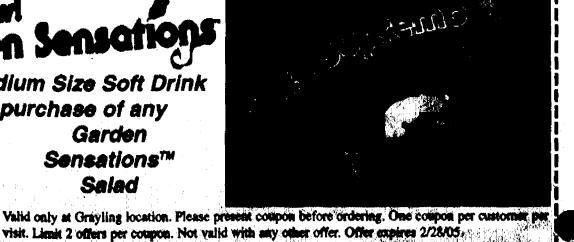




Early 1900 Grayling Boy Scouts learning first aid downtown Grayling, Michigan Avenue. Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum

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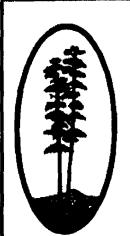
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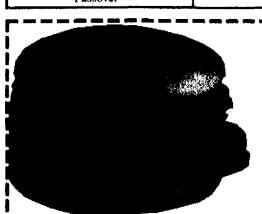
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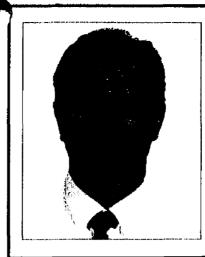
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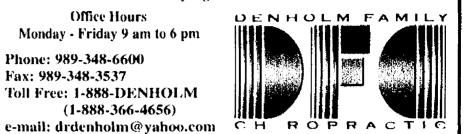
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A new Detroit electric car

Rasmus Hanson (R) purchased a new Detroit electric car, model 42, equipped with an Edison battery. It was purchased through the Grayling Repair Company, April 24, 1913. Oscar Palmer (L) Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum.

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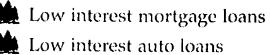
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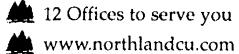
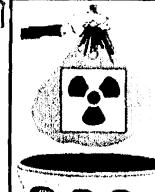




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WHEN: June 18, 2004 - 9:00am until 2:00pm WHERE: Crawford County Building Parking Lot

For further information contact Bruce Patrick, E.S., (989) 344-3258



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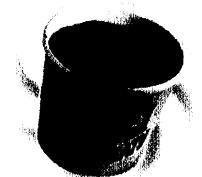


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Aug 27 & 28

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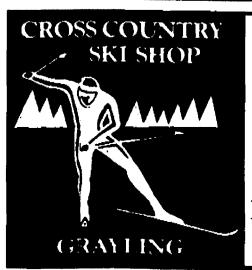




Parading down Michigan Avenue

An ox driving cart from Salling Hanson & Co. Wholesale Lumber, Grayling, parading down Michigan Avenue in front of what is now known as Dawson/Stevens. Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum

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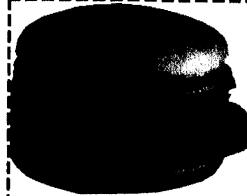
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The First Crawford County Court House

The first Crawford County Courthouse was built in 1880 and was located on Michigan Ave. where Citizens Bank is now located. It burnt down in 1901. It is believed that a woman prisoner set fire to a straw mattress which caused the fire. Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum

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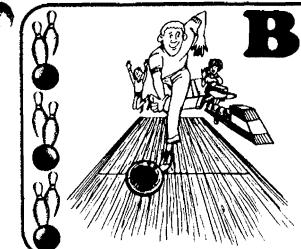
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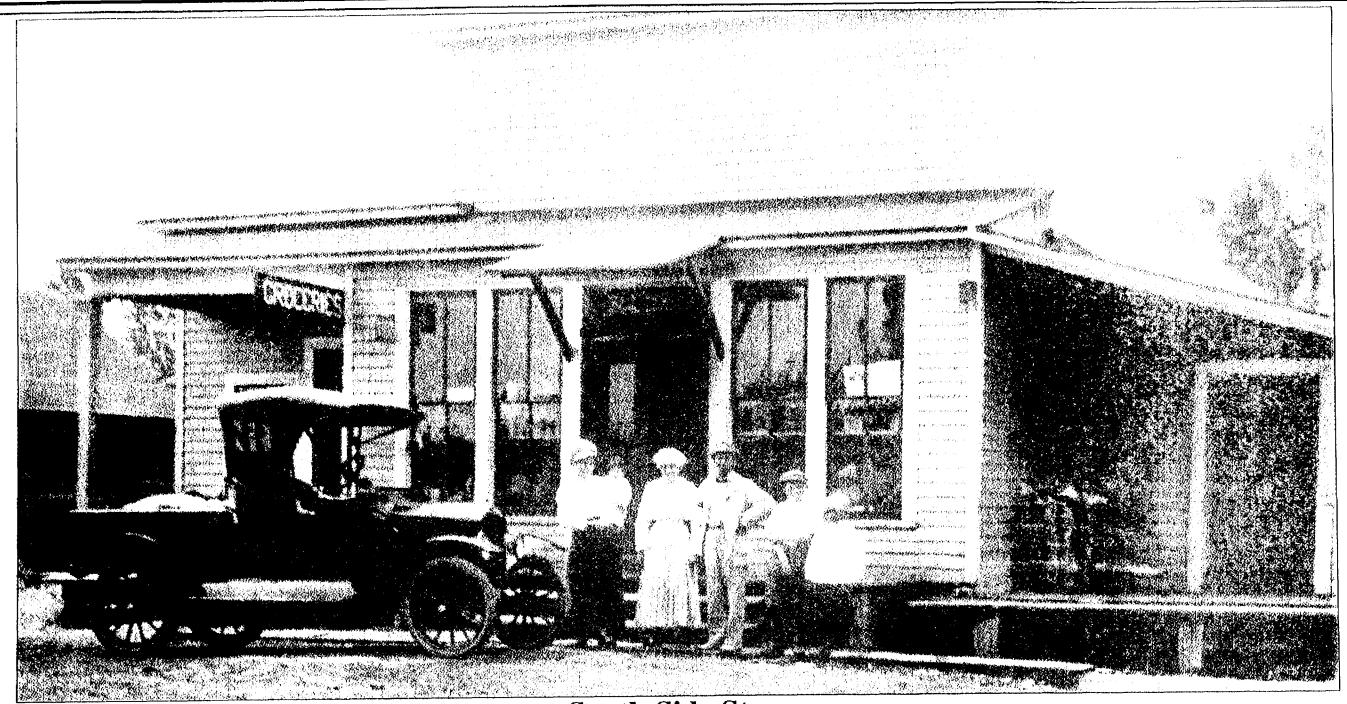




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South Side Store

The South Side Store (1918) was located at 200 State Street. Pictured L to R Lottie Atkinson, holding her daughter Clara Atkinson, Ida Atkinson, Rivet Marshall Atkinson, owner, Alex Atkinson and a friend. Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum

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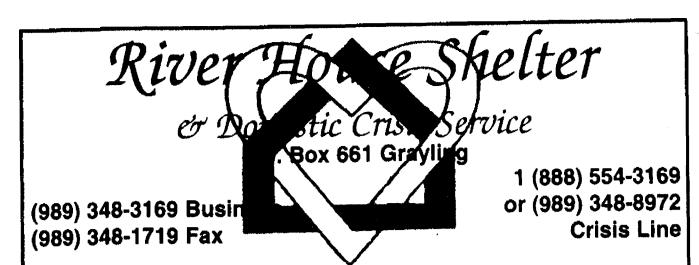
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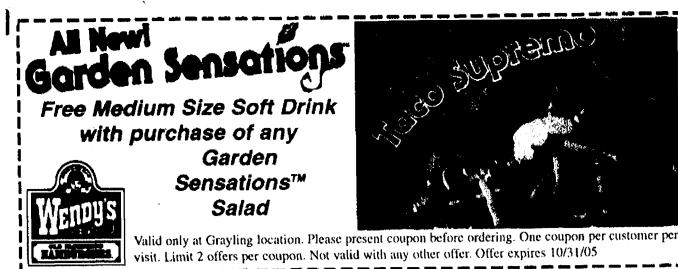


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Salling Hanson General Store

Salling Hanson General Store located on Michigan Ave. looks to be recieving a shipment of "UNeeda Biscuit". Dr. Guno's Walk-in Clinic & J. Dap Co. is now the present location of where Salling Hanson Co. once stood.

Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum

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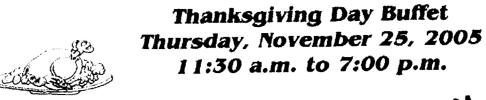


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Frederic High School Girls Basketball Team

The Frederic High School Girls Basketball team of 1925. From L. to R. Flora Parsons, Emelena Allen Barber, Lola Craven, Margaret Richards, Bea Tobin, Elsre Burke, Barbara Walters, Clarice Welsh & Unknown. Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum.

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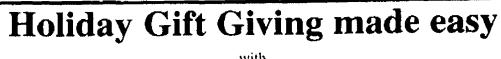
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Business in Frederic

This is the J. Rasmussen/Commercial Hotel in Frederic. The Commercial Hotel burned in 1916. Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum

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